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SUMMARY.

Mr. Chamberlain, in replying to a correspondent, said he did not attach excessive importance to the opinions of leaders of trades unions on his preferential trade proposals.

Such leaders, Mr. Chamberlain said, were strong political partisans, and their opinions were not necessarily shared by the workers.

Mr. Chamberlain is confident that the workers will not submit to dictation in connection with preferential tariffs and commercial fair play.

Whether the duty on corn would raise the cost of living would depend upon the extent of the competition among the exporting countries.

Mr. Chamberlain contends that even if the price of food were raised wages would be raised in greater proportion. He instances the United States and Germany as examples of this.

On Sunday it was reported that Lord Salisbury's condition had improved.

During the opening of the Assouan dam on the 15th the summer supply of water, on which the cotton and sugarcane crops depend, has been doubled.

King Edward, Queen Alexandra, and the Prince and the Princess of Wales attended the Hospital Sunday service at St. Paul's.

The strength of the British Volunteers on January 1 was 250,000. Owing to the new regulations there was a shortage of 1895 officers.

Signor Morgari, the Socialist leader in the Chamber of Deputies, said that King Edward and the German Emperor, who recently visited Rome, were received by the Socialists without any hostile demonstration because they were constitutional rulers.

Referring to the coming visit of the Czar, the Socialist leader said the case was different, as the Czar had not given a constitution to his people.

Only two tenders were received by the Canadian Government for a fast Atlantic service with England. It is understood that the Government will not accept either tender owing to the restrictions included.

There is a strong feeling in Canada against any tender being accepted from a line controlled by Mr. Pierpont Morgan's shipping combine.

At a concert in aid of the King's Colonial Volunteers, at which several Royal personages were present, Madame Albani, Miss Ada Crossley, Miss Clara Butt, and Miss Marie Narelle took part.

Russia threatens to call China to account unless the Allied Prince Ching's pledge not to employ foreigners in connection with the military and naval administration of Northern China.

The race for the Grand Prix at Paris resulted in a victory for Quo Vadis. Caius was second, and Vasistas third. The three placed horses are all owned by Mr. Edmond Blanc.

The forest fires in the North American States have extended to Washington. The flames have been observed 600 miles out at sea.

The town of Sherman, in the State of Maine, has been destroyed by the forest fires, and 1000 people have been rendered homeless. Hundreds of farmers are looking for their lives from the track of the fires.

The damage done by the fires in the United States is estimated at 20,000,000dol. Rain has now checked the progress of the flames.

Besides the forest fires in the maritime provinces are raging. Seven towns have been destroyed, Shediac being Hopewell.

There are 6000 people fighting the forest fires in New Brunswick, with small success. Prayers for rain are being offered.

It is reported on the authority of the "Daily Mail" that the War Office will present a flag to the headquarters of each colonial contingent that took part in the war.

The flag will be inscribed the engagement in which the contingent took part. There will be 109 of these flags altogether.

A dam on South Carolina was swept away and the surrounding country flooded. Cotton mills were wrecked, the damage to property being estimated at £50,000.

Owing to the bursting of the dam every building in Pascelot, which has a population of 1000, was wrecked, and many of the inhabitants were drowned.

The Eppinger Company, which controls some of the largest grain dealings at San Francisco, has failed for several million dollars.

The mining magnates of South Africa have arranged a gigantic combine to control the commerce of the industries concerned with the mines. It is proposed to dominate the market and the rate of exchange.

Many students at Bologne paraded the streets on Saturday singing songs. They attempted to attack the Austrian Consulate.

Yesterday was generally observed as a holiday in connection with the birthday of the Prince of Wales. The cool wind that blew all day affected the attendance at the holiday resorts.

Inclement weather prevailed in many country districts yesterday, with the result that many sporting events that had been arranged in connection with the holiday had to be abandoned.

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Tennyson entertained a number of distinguished visitors at luncheon at the Randwick races yesterday.

The British and Japanese war ships, as well as the French, American, and Japanese mail steamers, were dressed yesterday in honour of the Prince of Wales.

Rear-Admiral Kamimura, of the Japanese squadron, and 60 officers and midshipmen, were entertained at "at home" by Colonel Burns at Parramatta on Saturday.

On Thursday the three Japanese war boats will be brilliantly illuminated from 9 p.m. to midnight. The prominent features of the vessels will be picked out with electric lights.

It has been definitely decided that the Japanese squadron will leave Sydney on Sunday morning. The vessels will proceed direct to Townsville, and will call at Manila and other ports, arriving at Japan in August.

Major-General Hutton stated in an interview yesterday that in the arming of the light horse regiments the rifle would be the primary weapon, and a lance or pistol the secondary one.

With regard to the military re-organisation which is to come into force on July 1, Major-General Hutton stated that the changes in New South Wales would be very few.

Three sites have been suggested to Sir William Lyne by the New South Wales Government for the establishment of a depot for Commonwealth stores in place of Darwen Point.

One of these sites is at Russell's Wharf, near the head of Darling Harbour, a second is at the foot of Darling Island, in Jones' Bay, and the third is at the foot of Glebe Point.

Mr. Rose, M.L.A., addressed a meeting at Kingsdale, near Goulburn, yesterday, and contended that the Government should put their programme before the House, and after obtaining supplies arrange for a general election so that the female electors should be represented in Parliament before further legislation was passed.

Mr. J. N. Chalmers, an English mining expert, arrived at Adelaide by the R.M.S. Oceana on Sunday. He will proceed to Arltunga to examine properties on behalf of the Consolidated Goldfields Company of South Africa.

The Prince of Wales' Stakes, run at Randwick yesterday was won by Nothes, the favourite, Tattersdemion, being second and Mechlin third.

At the V.R.C. Birthday Meeting held at Flemington yesterday the Birthday Handicap was won by Fiera.

A number of burglaries are reported from Glenelg, six miles from Adelaide, the houses of city business men being entered.

In an inquest held at Stroud on the body of a man named Thomas Douglas, a verdict was returned that death was caused by inhaling poisonous fumes escaping from the exhaust funnel of the oil launch Hercules.

The Tingha tin-mining field suffered from the recent floods, several of the claims having to be temporarily abandoned.

A Requiem Mass was celebrated yesterday in St. Mary's Cathedral in memory of the late Hon. J. T. Tooley.

Cold weather is reported from the country, with snow on the highlands.

At a conference convened in Melbourne by the Victorian Alliance, it was resolved that the Commonwealth legislation dealing with British New Guinea should contain clauses providing for the abolition of the importation, manufacture, and sale of intoxicating liquor.

No fresh cases of swine fever have been reported in Brisbane since the end of last month, and it is believed the disease has been stamped out.

The Victorian railway revenue from July 1, 1902, to June 7, 1903, was £251 746 less than for the previous corresponding period.

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BIRTHS.

NEWTH.—May 29, at Dyinant, Goldsmith-street, Goulburn, the wife of B. Newth—a son.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

ALLEYN—MACNAMARA.—June 9, 1853, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, by the Rev. Father John Geoghegan, William, the eldest son of the late Samuel Hyde Alleyn, of Golden, county Tipperary, to Bridget, eldest daughter of the late John Macnamara, of Gaihally, county Limerick, Ireland. Home papers please copy. Present address, 338 Bourke-street, Surry Hills.

DEATHS.

ARNOLD.—June 6, 1903, at Verona, Hamilton, the dearly beloved infant daughter of S. and M. Arnold, aged 5 months (enteritis).

EDWARDS.—June 1, at her residence, Watson-street, Bondi, Maria Jane, dearly beloved mother of Chas. L. Edwards, Waverley, aged 68 years. At rest.

FINN.—June 5, at his residence, Green Hills, Meadowie, James Finn, in his 71st year.

HILLCOAT.—June 7, at Longueville, Lane Cove River, Catherine Ellen, wife of J. W. Hillcoat, aged 75 years.

KENNIFF.—June 8, 1903, at his mother's residence, 177 Mansfield-street, Balmain, John, eldest son of the late Alderman Roger Kenniff, of Balmain, aged 29 years. R I P

LEVY.—June 6, at her residence, 17 Green's-road, Paddington, Ann Levy, age 74, beloved wife of N. J. Levy. Mizpon each evening at 8.

MEREDITH.—June 8, 1903, at Milton, 495 Alfred-street, North Sydney, Frederick Meredith, aged 45 years. Funeral this (Tuesday) afternoon, 2 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Sydney.

PENFOLD.—June 8, 1903, at his residence, 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, Alfred Penry, the dearly loved husband of Victoria A. M. Penfold, aged 36 years. By request, no flowers.

RIGBYE.—June 7, 1903, at her daughter's (Mrs. G. Robertson) residence, Perreau, Hardy-street, Ashfield, Emily, widow of the late Thomas Rigbye, Baldwin Ridge, of Tempe, N.S.W., aged 60 years.

ROBSON.—June 5, 1903, at Sydney, Robert Riddle Robson, aged 39. Born Newcastle-on-Tyne.

SIBLEY.—May 17, 1903, at Mrs. Garlick's Private Hospital, East Melbourne, Julia Evans Sibley, only and dearly beloved daughter of Julia and the late J. W. Sibley, M.D., Bendigo, aged 34 years, the result of the recent Jolimont bicycle disaster. Thy loving heart and hands are at rest, dear. Interred by her sorrowing mother and brother.

STEPHENS.—June 6, 1903, at St. Vincent's Hospice, Alfred, dearly loved youngest son of Emily Stephens, age 23 and 8 months. Deeply regretted.

STUART.—June 8, 1903, at Macdonald, Gordon-road Landfield, Walter H. Stuart, late of Lands Department, and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, of Grantham-street, North Sydney, aged 40 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

FLANAGAN.—In sad but loving memory of our dear brother, Brian Flanagan, who departed this life June 7th, 1902.
Your sad came sudden, brother dear,
It made us weep and sigh;
And oh, it was so hard to think
You could not say good-bye.
Inserted by his loving sisters, Eliza and Annie Flanagan.

HALL.—In sad and loving memory of my dear husband and our father, Reginald Harry Hall, who departed this life on the 7th day of June, 1901. Inserted by his loving wife, Mercy Hall, and children.

INGLIS.—In loving memory of my beloved wife, Ada, who died on the 9th June, 1901. Inserted by her loving husband, R. Inglis, and by her loving children, Lily, Alfred, Jessie, and Gladys.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, Fanny, who died at her residence, 64 Alma-street, Darlington, June 9th, 1901, aged 57 years. At rest. Inserted by her loving husband, and Louie, Lill, and Charlie.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Fanny, who died at her residence, 64 Alma-street, Darlington, June 9th, 1901. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tomlin.

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Inserted by his loving wife, Margaret Newton.

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Though gone and forgotten by the world you may be
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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S NOMINATION.

The announcement by cable yesterday that the Republican Convention of Ohio had passed a resolution favouring the Roosevelt nomination for the next Presidential election notes a fact that will go a long way towards deciding that important event. There is a condition attached silencing tariff reform, but the newspaper comments on the President's triumph over Senator Hanna leave us to infer that the condition will not affect the main issue. The question naturally arises as to why the Ohio nomination should be regarded as significant. There are two main reasons. One rests on the personality of Mr. Hanna, which was a name to conjure with in Ministerial and political circles during the late President M'Kinley's time. He was the great election-eering wirepuller of the Republican party, and to his influence the success of Mr. M'Kinley's candidature was largely credited. He is the Republican Senator for Ohio, and up to last month he was understood to be opposed to the Roosevelt nomination. The question of the trusts had proved a disturbing factor in Republican circles. But early in May he was reported to have declared that the President would certainly receive the party nomination, and since then the western tour of President Roosevelt and his vigorous speeches on expansion and the naval power have not been without their result. But the opinion of Ohio is important for another reason. Mr. Bryce pointed out years ago that this State, though possessing a Democratic majority in its own Legislature, and often returning a majority of Democratic members to Congress, had yet in several elections given a majority for the Presidential candidate of the Republican party. Some years ago the elections for this State were held in October, the month before the Presidential election, and for this reason also the opinion of Ohio came to be highly regarded by those accustomed to watch the election indications throughout the Union.

It will be seen that Mr. Grover Cleveland is mentioned as the Democratic candidate, but for many reasons Mr. Roosevelt's chances are considered much brighter. The election in November, 1904, is still about sixteen months off, and much may occur in the interval. But it is not easy to see how the chances of the present holder of the office can be much disturbed. He has been for years a strong man in American politics, and he has shown himself a characterful President. Before the late President was elected in 1900 Mr. Roosevelt was regarded as a formidable competitor for Republican confidence, though his claims were shelved for the time by his nomination to the Vice-Presidency. Elected to that office it looked for the time as though his chances for the President's Chair were more remote than ever. But the unexpected, which happens so often in politics, removed his predecessor in the course of the same year as that in which both entered on their offices, and Mr. Roosevelt came to the front by right of succession. In the Republican split last year over the labour and tariff questions, his acceptance of the M'Kinley view as to revision as a step towards reciprocity gave rise to some difference of opinion, and it is no doubt to this that the Ohio condition refers. But in other matters he has made a powerful appeal to the popular instinct in favour of a striking political figurehead. His somewhat spread-eagle style of eloquence during his tour in California regarding American dominance in the Pacific was calculated to appeal to a Pacific Slope audience, and remind it of the Rough Riders. His talk about strengthening the navy, and the growth of the United States as a colony-holding Power, had a decided ring of the electioneering style of popular eloquence about it. But events have shown that President Roosevelt is a ruler of strong individual force, and the American elector is not insensible to the magnetism of such a personality.

To the outside world, it is needless to say, the main interest in the next Presidential election will centre round the expansion policy and consequent development of the Monroe doctrine. With the recent difficulty with Germany over Venezuela, the prospective opening of the Isthmian Canal, and the exclusive spirit shown where German and other settlement in South America is concerned, that interest is assured. Then we have the question of the Pacific, and the interest of this Commonwealth in that question. The growth of the United States Navy, proceeding at the same time as that of Germany, is a factor in the world's affairs which cannot be overlooked, and the recent pressure brought to bear on Russia in connection with the renewal of aggressive action in Manchuria is a further reminder that President Roosevelt's Cabinet will insist on making its voice heard in the world's affairs. The situation in the States has developed so much during the past three years that it is not easy to distinguish exactly how parties stand with regard to these matters, and the general question of policy behind them. Three years ago the Democrats were as markedly opposed to an expansion policy as the Republicans were in favour of it. Mr. Grover Cleveland, with the prestige of his terms of office behind him, was found in the ranks of the opposition, and many Americans of sound political experience and commercial judgment did not hesitate to express the strongest objections to what they called the new policy of imperialism. But the presidential election in 1900 put an end to that for the time, and perhaps it is not going too far to predict that President Roosevelt's chances for another term of office will depend largely if not altogether on the growth of the expansion idea in the American electors' minds up to November, 1904.

THE MINIMUM WAGE.

Some curious developments have arisen in connection with the efforts of trades-unions to establish a minimum wage rate. In Melbourne, for instance, the effect of the decisions arrived at by the wages boards has been to crowd out the old and less capable workmen, and to make it difficult if not impossible for young men to obtain a footing. Then the trouble has arisen that the minimum wage has become a maximum, and what was intended to be a basis to rise from has been forced upon the wage-earner as the end of his expectations. Logically, of course, the minimum wage represents the least upon which any capable workman with a family can live in reasonable comfort. Actually it is the knell of honest endeavour with numbers of people who are capable of earning a satisfactory living. But in Western Australia a new departure is being attempted by the worker in possession, according to our telegrams in yesterday's issue. He wishes the Arbitration Court to establish a minimum wage, taking the Melbourne standard as a guide and adding thereto the extra cost of living in the West. His evidence of the extra cost is, of course, to be considered conclusive. Unfortunately for him, Mr. Justice Parker does not see things quite in the same light. The Judge has some awkward questions awaiting answers. In the first place he doubts whether the cost of living in Western Australia is so much ahead of what prevails in Melbourne as to merit serious attention when discussing differences; and, whether or no, he desires light upon the prospects of manufacturers with whom the rate of wages is vital.

There are really two points of importance to be considered in this connection. First, it is notorious that the Labour party in Western Australia has succeeded in establishing a minimum wage rate on the goldfields which is a very severe tax upon production. Before railway connection was obtained with the coast, and water was an expensive commodity, the rate of wages was naturally very high. The cost of living was the governing factor; and in the desert it was to be expected that miners would demand and could obtain practically what they asked. But the laws of demand and supply still helped to control the situation, and artificial restraints upon the employers of labour were not imposed. Since, however, the goldfields have been brought into the magic circle of civilisation by the locomotive and water pipe line, and labour has laid both hands upon production, the remuneration of the miners has remained practically the same. As high wages are obtained now as in the days when the desert ruled supreme, and the Arbitration Court is largely responsible. Labour legislation and influence have made it impossible for the mine-owners to appeal to Cæsar—the great world power of market value. Hence only those mines which are rich enough can keep going: the mines with low grade ores are shut down. To pay less than the fancy rates of wages now ruling would be sweating, and the capitalist who has invested money in Western Australian properties of average quality must accept his conge for the present. That is precisely what labour would prescribe for manufacturers who cannot pay the full rate of wages set down by its champions as fair and reasonable. Mr. Justice Parker had remarked that the course proposed by the workers would stamp out all the manufactories in Western Australia. To which Mr. Croft, representing the workers, replied that he failed to see why the manufactories should be allowed to exist if they could only do it by sweating the workers. So we come to the second point. Labour is to decide what is a reasonable standard by which to establish the minimum wage; and if manufacturers or employers generally cannot afford to pay it they may go. The result—no work for anybody—does not seem to trouble the people who would so push things to extremes. If labour in Western Australia waits long enough the rich mines will be worked out, and either wages must come down or the State will be practically abandoned as a mining centre. But restriction and the grasping at shadows are as characteristic of labour control in the Commonwealth as in each part of it, and there is nothing surprising about the efforts now being made in the West to establish an ideal condition of things for the worker—through chaos. The only hope is in men like Mr. Justice Parker who will decline to go to extremes, and who do not hesitate to point to the ditch into which blind leaders of the blind will inevitably tumble.

SOUTH AFRICA.

With the publication of the details of the draft Customs Convention signed last March at Bloemfontein come two or three important items of news. The opening of the Cape Parliament has enabled Sir Walter Hely-Hutchinson, the Governor, to advertise the benefits of a Customs Union and otherwise to express gratification at the large measure of success that has attended the policy of peace and reconciliation. Lord Milner, soon after, was receiving a deputation at Johannesburg opposing the introduction of Asiatic labour for use in the mines and on public works; and this morning our cablegrams state that South African magnates are arranging a gigantic combine to control commerce and industries of the mines, dominating the markets and rates of wages. Thus it will be seen that the Bloemfontein Conference stands for many and far-reaching interests. The arrangement of a uniform tariff, with preferential treatment for British imports, attracted world-wide attention at the outset, while it has since stimulated the monopoly-hunting section of South African enterprise to vigorous activity. When the draft convention was signed Germany became quite excited. Some of the Berlin journals angrily discussed the decision of the conference to give preferential treatment to British imports, and the "Times" of March 31 dealt with the matter in terms which now make curious reading in view of Mr. Chamberlain's revival of his scheme of an Imperial Customs Union. Our London contemporary declared that the nation was not concerned so much with Continental grumblings as with the necessity for showing that it comprehended the meaning of the step taken at Bloemfontein and appreciated the spirit therein revealed. "To ignore this significant action, in which we may discern the effect of Lord Milner's firm, impartial, and far-seeing administration and of Mr. Chamberlain's powerful appeals to a higher ideal of unity and progress, would be unworthy of the Imperial power and of the forces that have built it up." This point was pressed for all it was worth. The proposals soon to come before the colonial legislatures were held to be in danger unless the mother country gave some acknowledgment of her sense of the importance of the step just taken.

The "Times" urged that colonial feeling craved "for an acknowledgment, if only in some trifling way, of what had been offered." It was held that "any sort of admission of the principle of reciprocity would be hailed with gratification." An effort seems, indeed, to have been made to prepare the way for Mr. Chamberlain's latest announcement; and now that the details of the convention are public property, and have come just when they might be expected to serve the Secretary for the Colonies best, we realise how well the whole plan of campaign has been arranged. As if to emphasise the full value of the preferential trade proposals, we have the Governor of Cape Colony laying stress upon the large measure of success that has attended the policy of peace and reconciliation. The truth of this is witnessed by a Blue Book published last April, in which many interesting facts are given as showing what has been done. Lord Milner describes the work of repatriation. In eight and a half months 200,000 of the old burgher population had been restored to their homes in the two colonies, though the difficulties encountered with railways badly equipped were many and serious. It is a story that deserves to be read as illustrating what the burden of Empire really means. Pacification seems to have been real, and its fruits are beyond question in a people settled again on the land and willing to make the best of the new order. A Customs Union under such conditions is worth a great deal, and Mr. Chamberlain knows how to use it to serve his purposes. We do not wish to appear to be minimising the magnificent work done by Lord Milner and his assistants in this respect, or to decry the value of the Bloemfontein Conference. The value is there, and we rejoice in these facts as immensely strengthening the Empire. If evidence were required we have it in the efforts of South African magnates to engineer a great combine to exploit the field so finely opened, and in the objections that are being raised to any influx of Asiatics or other aliens to benefit a few at the expense of the many. All that we deprecate is Mr. Chamberlain's use of the movement towards unity in South Africa, and it is only fair to point out that he is attempting to pluck the fruit of Imperial federation before it is ripe.

THE LIQUOR LAW IN NEW ZEALAND.

The Premier of New Zealand foresees some improvements in the law which governs the issue and control of licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor in the colony which he has governed so long. In a speech delivered at Hokitika last week he announced that legislation would be introduced next session enabling a fresh poll to be taken in the case of local option polls which had been declared void. This is, of course, absolutely fair to all persons concerned. It is desirable that the real opinion of the people concerned should be taken in matters by local option. At present the voters are asked to decide whether the number of licenses existing in the district shall continue, or whether the number shall be reduced, or whether any licenses whatever shall be granted. The average number of persons to a licensed house was 482 in 1899-1900 and 502 in the following year in counties, but in the boroughs the average decreased from 510 to 508. It goes without saying that it is to the interest of any State to keep steadily reducing the number of licensed houses in proportion to the population. Thus is preserved the good quality of the liquor dispensed and the good order of the houses in which it is exposed for sale.

In New Zealand careful provision has been made for the exercise of local judgment on the management of local public-houses and on the necessity for their existence. If it appears to the judgment of a certain majority of the electors qualified under the Act regulating these proceedings that there should be no public-house at all in the district in which they are concerned, they have only to record their opinion at the voting-booths. Thereupon the public-houses would cease to exist in their districts. In more than one instance this sort of vote has been carried in New Zealand, just as it has been carried in districts in the United States of America, and the people are thoroughly justified in their action. If they have come to the conclusion that their towns would be better without public-houses than with them they have the right to say so and to carry their opinion to its legitimate conclusion. But then here arises the lion in the path—compensation. Of course there is the other extreme to consider. Supposing that the people in any district vote for the unrestricted sale of liquor, they must have their way. But this contingency is hardly within the range of practical politics, but if ever there was a case of a people having to enjoy or to suffer from its own decision, it is the case of the people of New Zealand. Mr. Seddon suggests some reforms in the present law regulating the sale of liquor. It has frequently happened that local option polls have been declared void in consequence of irregularities, or because the conditions of the Act with regard to the number voting have not been fulfilled. When this has been the case the result has been that things remained in statu quo. Mr. Seddon holds out hope that the law will be so altered that a fresh poll may be taken in such circumstances. It is also in his mind to transfer the immediate control of the licensing law from elective committees to magistrates. The proposal seems reasonable, but it is reasonable to remember that certain English magistrates have been solemnly reproved by the Lord Chancellor for considering themselves as temperance agents rather than as administrators of the law. The situation of the liquor trade in New Zealand just now is very disturbed, as our telegrams from day to day will show, and the outcome deserves the attention of all liquor law reformers here.

Our Timber Industries.—On page 3 will be found the second of our series of articles relating to the timber lands of New South Wales—their uses and abuses. The article comprises the concluding portion of an interview with the Hon. Alexander Kethel, and gives a number of suggestions from that gentleman as to remedial measures.

An Empire Day.—The Earl of Meath has written to Canon Boyce, President of the British Empire League here, relative to the proposed Empire Day. He forwards copies of correspondence which shows that Mr. Chamberlain is in favour of the suggestion. Among those shown to be favourable are Lord Milner, Sir F. M. Darley, also the Prime Ministers of Ontario, British Columbia, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Natal, the Governors of Malta, Jamica, and Mauritius, and the movement is popular in India. The Earl of Meath's proposal is that of a day for children on May 24, the late Queen Victoria's Birthday, or some other day in which for two hours in the morning they may be pleasantly instructed in Empire matters, and have the rest of the day as a holiday.

Payment of Income Tax.—Taxpayers are reminded that to-day is the last day for payment of 1903 income tax.

The Jubilee of New Caledonia.—Our Noumea correspondent, writing under date June 4, says:—"Within the last week copious rains have fallen all over the colony with most beneficial results. On September 24 next we will celebrate the colony's jubilee. A committee is being formed for the purpose of making a programme of unusual eclat befitting the occasion. It is suggested that an effort should be made to induce Australian tourists to take a run across, thus making this interesting little island better known to your inhabitants.

Demolition of Clovelly.—Much of the political history of New South Wales during the twenty-five years from 1861 to 1886 was made at Clovelly, the one-time residence of the late Sir John Robertson at Watson's Bay. It was to Clovelly that Sir John Robertson used to take his friends at the week end to discuss political problems and the means to upset the plans of his opponents. There it was that the foundations were laid for the powerful coalition between Sir John Robertson and the late Sir Henry Parkes—when the two "grand old men" came together in the same Ministry after many years of political rivalry. Some surprise has been expressed that nothing has been done in the direction of preserving such an historic place. The Government was urged to resume the site as a public park for the Borough of Vaucluse, but the Minister for Lands was unsympathetic. Latterly the house has fallen into decay, and the local council has condemned it under the authority conferred by the Public Health Act. So it comes about that the famous building is to be demolished, and its materials dispersed.

Typhoid Fever at Bathurst.—An incorrect statement has been circulated regarding the extent to which typhoid fever exists at Bathurst at the present moment. According to a return furnished by the Board of Health 131 cases of typhoid fever were reported since the commencement of the year up to the end of May, the figures for each month being:—January 6, February 26, March 41, April 37, May 21. Dr. Ashburton Thompson states that it would not be fair to assume that the persons who were suffering in the first three months of the year are still ill. Most likely the sickness is confined to a portion of those attacked in April, and those who contracted the infection in May. Dr. Thompson points out, however, that the returns show a chronic infection of typhoid, and states that it is due mainly to the careless manner in which the sanitary arrangements are carried out. This is at present a subject of communications between the board and the municipal council.

Island Murders.—Advices were received from New Caledonia yesterday to the effect that the French warship Mourthe has sailed from Noumea to meet H.M.S. Archer in the New Hebrides for the purpose of avenging the murder of two members of the crew of a labour recruiting vessel recently shot at one of the islands of the group. The British and French warships will act conjointly in meting out punishment. An account of the murders has already appeared in our columns.

The Increased Ferry Tolls.—The Minister for Works has retraced his steps in regard to the increased ferry tolls. He requested a committee of his officers to draft a schedule of rates. They did so, and, as was afterwards explained to an indignant deputation, the Minister accepted the schedule without scanning its contents, sent it on to the Executive Council, where it was adopted without questioning. It was published, and there at once arose a cry of indignation from people compelled to use ferries, because the charges had been doubled. "Why should we be penalised in this way?" asked the North Coast dairy farmers. "We have to cross the rivers in ferries because we have no bridges. Why should we be charged double the usual rates, when people who have bridges are not charged at all?" Mr. O'Sullivan, who considers tolls are a relic of barbarism, saw the force of the objection, so he as decided to revert to the old scale of rates. Hence a few days will see the obnoxious schedule rescinded, and the old one reaffirmed by the Executive Council. Mr. O'Sullivan repudiates the charge that in deciding to allow advertisements to be erected on ferry landings he is going to permit the foreshores of the harbour to be disfigured for the sake of a few hundred pounds of revenue a year. "I never had such an idea in my mind," observed the Minister. "I had in view the erection of advertisement on ferries over the Manning, Nambucca, Richmond, and other rivers, but not on the foreshores of Port Jackson." The Minister has an idea that eventually he will be able to obtain a sum of £11,000 a year from such advertisements, and thus enable him to realise his ideal that ferries should be as free as bridges.

Rain-making Syndicates.—Whatever the delinquencies of the Government are, the head of it emphatically declines to become a partner in an experiment to compel clouds to form in the sky, and afterwards to shower down their beneficent waters upon the thirsty earth. The Premier yesterday morning received the following telegram from Mr. G. A. Miles, secretary of commerce, Broken Hill:—"Dr. M'Carthy offers to visit Broken Hill and produce 3in. of rain within three weeks for a fee of £5000. We are prepared to offer £2000. If failure, no demand. Will Government subsidise, and what amount?" Sir John immediately threw it aside with an impatient gesture. The Premier did not hesitate to say that he had his doubts about the success of the experiment. "It may 'come off,' and it may not," he observed. "Whilst I do not wish to speak as to the scientific possibility of compelling clouds to yield their waters, yet one has to remember the everlasting blue skies of Broken Hill. It seems to me you have first got to get your clouds before you get the rain. I am ready to admit that the man who can compel the clouds to gather would not be likely to fail in tapping them. Anyhow, the scheme seems rather too far-fetched to warrant the Government in venturing to put money into it. At the same time I readily admit that if 3in. of rain meant mining activity at Broken Hill on the one hand, while its absence foredoomed the mines to cease operations, then £5000 would not be too dear to pay for it."

The winter series of lectures at the Y.M.C.A. will be continued this evening, when the Rev. C. S. Rose will lecture on "Incidents in the Life of John B. Gough," the temperance orator.

The new Royal North Shore Hospital, situated near St. Leonards railway station, and erected at a cost of £30,000, will be officially opened by the State Premier (Sir John See, K.C.M.G.) to-morrow afternoon, at 3 p.m.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

His Excellency Sir Harry H. Rawson will attend the Lord Mayor's luncheon to-day. In the evening the Governor, with Lady Rawson and a party from State Government House, Rose Bay, attends St. Vincent's Hospital ball at the Sydney Town Hall. At 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon Lady Rawson will open a sale of work at the Bourke-street Congregational Church. In the evening Sir Harry H. Rawson dines with Vice-Admiral Fanshawe at Admiralty House. A bazaar in aid of the Melanesian Mission will be opened by Lady Rawson at 11 a.m. on Thursday in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, Pitt-street. His Excellency Sir Harry H. Rawson, Lady Rawson, and a party from State Government House, Rose Bay, will attend the reception to be given in the evening by the Governor-General Lord Tennyson and Lady Tennyson at the Federal Government House.

Monseigneur Count Vay de Vaya and Viscount Boringdon are at present staying with Lord and Lady Tennyson at Government House.

Mr. Joseph Bertini, jun., died at Braxton on Monday morning after a long illness. He had taken a leading part in all movements in connection with the town and district for some years.

Mrs. Thos. Sutton, one of the oldest residents of Wellington, died on Friday last. The deceased was 77 years of age, and had resided at Montefiores for 51 years. The funeral took place on Saturday, and was largely attended.

Mr. James Finn, one of the pioneer dairymen of the Camden district, was buried at Campbelltown yesterday. He was a native of Ireland, and came to that district over 60 years ago. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.

Mr. James Foreman, an old identity, of Coolamon, died very suddenly on Saturday night, at the age of 86. He had been at Coolamon 25 years, and had served in the Crimean war, and received the Imperial Government pension.

Major-General Sir Edward Hutton, who is the guest of Vice-Admiral Fanshawe at Admiralty House, will remain in Sydney until Friday, when he returns by that evening's express to Melbourne. To-day and during the next two days he will inspect several schools of instruction which are being held for the benefit of officers in different branches of the service.

Mr. H. C. Cameron, Produce Commissioner for New Zealand in London, is returning to that colony by the R.M.S. Oceana. His department has recently been transferred from the Agricultural Department of the New Zealand Government to the newly constituted Industries Department, and it is for the purpose of consulting and being consulted by the heads of the last-named department that Mr. Cameron is making the trip. He will return to England in a few months.

LATE MR. J. T. TOOHEY, M.L.C.

IMPRESSIVE INTERMENT CEREMONIAL.

Large numbers of citizens, representing all classes of the community, assembled at St. Mary's Cathedral yesterday morning to pay the last tokens of respect to the memory of the late John Thomas Toohey, K.C.S.G., M.L.C., whose remains had been brought by the R.M.S. Sonoma from Ameeles for interment in the family vault at Rookwood. The body was enclosed in a polished oak coffin, handsomely gold mounted, bearing a plate with the inscription:—

R.I.P.
John Thomas Toohey, K.C.S.G.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

ATLANTIC SERVICE WITH CANADA.

ONLY TWO TENDERS.

LONDON, June 8.

Only two tenders have been received by the Canadian Government for a fast Atlantic service with England.

The Dominion Line tendered for a fortnightly service with boats of 21 knots alternating with a 16 knot service, for £200,000 annually, with sea postal freights.

The Allan Line offered similar services for £300,000.

The Canadian-Pacific Railway declined to tender, preferring an all-year service of 20 knots.

There is a strong feeling in Canada against any tender being accepted from a line controlled by Mr. Pierpont Morgan's shipping syndicate.

Later.

It is understood at Ottawa that the Canadian Government will not accept either tender owing to the restrictions included.

The Dominion line is included in Mr. Pierpont Morgan's shipping combine.

The steamship service with England is to be subsidised by Canada to the extent of 750,000dol., and by England to the extent of 375,000dol., in all £225,000.

The scheme of the Canadian-Pacific Railway Company is to establish a 20-knot service between Liverpool and St. Lawrence during the summer, and with Halifax as the Canadian port during the winter, for a subsidy of £225,000 per annum for the first ten years, with a graduated reduction during each of the two following periods of five years. The vessels are to be the most modern in every respect, and built specially for the route.

THE BALKANS.

RUSSIA URGES RELAXATION OF SEVERITY.

LONDON, June 8.

At the instance of Russia, Hilmi Pasha, the Inspector-General of the Macedonian vilayets, has modified the severity of martial law in the vilayet of Salonika.

CHINA.

GRAVE INTERNAL SITUATION.

AMERICAN FLEET STRENGTHENED.

LONDON, June 8.

The fleet of the United States in Eastern seas is to be strengthened owing to the report of Rear-Admiral Rodgers, the Commander-in-Chief on the Asia station, that the internal situation in China is grave.

RUSSIAN THREATS.

LONDON, June 7.

Russia threatens to call China to account unless she fulfils Prince Ching's pledge not to employ foreigners in connection with the civil and military administration of Northern China. Russia alleges that many Japanese are employed.

RUSSIAN ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

LONDON, June 8.

Russia has constructed a road suitable for artillery from Liao Yang, in Southern Manchuria, to the Yalu, the Korean boundary. Russia is surveying a route for a railway between the same two points.

ITALY.

THE CZAR'S VISIT.

SOCIALIST LEADER'S SPEECH.

LONDON, June 7.

In the Italian Chamber of Deputies Signor Morgari, socialist leader, referring to the Czar's coming visit, said that the sovereigns (King Edward and the German Emperor) who recently were at Rome were received by the socialists without hostile demonstration because they were constitutional rulers. It was different with the Czar, who had not given a constitution to his people.

ATTACK ON AN AUSTRIAN CONSULATE.

LONDON, June 8.

Many students at Bologna paraded the streets on Saturday singing irridentist songs (in connection with the agitation for the restoration to Italy of the provinces called Italia irridenta), and attempted to attack the Austrian Consulate. The police and gendarmerie arrived on the scene, and in an encounter a number of students were wounded and arrested.

KING OF ITALY.

VISIT TO ENGLAND.

LONDON, June 8.

King Victor Emmanuel III. will visit England in November, arriving on the 15th of that month.

PRESIDENT LOUBET'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

LONDON, June 8.

During his stay in London next month, President Loubet will reside at St. James's Palace.

LORD SALISBURY.

LONDON, June 7.

Lord Salisbury, who is suffering from a severe chill, is better to-day.

LONDON HOSPITALS' SERVICES.

KING AND QUEEN AT ST. PAUL'S.

LONDON, June 7.

Hospital Sunday services were held to-day. King Edward, Queen Alexandra, and the Prince and Princess of Wales attended the service at St. Paul's. Great crowds assembled around the Cathedral.

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In the service at St. Paul's Cathedral 200 nurses in uniform lined the nave. The Lord Mayor (Sir Marcus Samuel) and the members of the Corporation of London received the King and the Queen at the entrance of the city and presented his Majesty with the city sword. Afterwards the Lord Mayor and the Corporation accompanied their Majesties to the Cathedral.

The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Stepney (Dr Lang).

ASSOUAN RESERVOIR.

NILE SUMMER SUPPLY DOUBLED.

LONDON, June 7.

Owing to the opening of the Assouan Reservoir the summer supply of the Nile, on which the cotton and sugar-cane crops depend, has been doubled.

THE UNITED STATES.

A CLOUD BURST.

FLOODS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

LONDON, June 7.

A cloud burst at Spartanburg, South Carolina, and a dam was swept away. The country was flooded. Cotton mills were wrecked, and damage to property is estimated at 2,000,000 dollars (£400,000).

Every building at Lancelot, which has a population of 1000 persons, was wrecked. Many of the inhabitants were drowned.

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In the cloud burst at Spartanburg and the consequent breaking of a dam 50 operatives were drowned.

FLOODS IN LOUISIANA.

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE HOMELESS.

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAIMED.

LONDON, June 8.

Reuter's correspondent states that 200,000 acres of fertile farms in a radius of 20 miles from St. Louis are flooded.

It is estimated that 25,000 people are homeless. The grain elevators are surrounded with water, and are flooded. Only the tops of the houses are visible.

Martial law has been proclaimed throughout the flooded districts. Looters have been ordered to be shot.

A GRAIN COMPANY FAILS.

LONDON, June 8.

The Eppinger Company, which controls some of the largest grain dealings at San Francisco, has failed for several million dollars.

FOREST FIRES IN AMERICA.

CHECKED IN THE STATES.

FARMERS FLEE FOR THEIR LIVES.

LONDON, June 7.

Forest fires continue to rage in the North Atlantic States of America. The fires now extend to Washington.

The flames have been observed for 600 miles at sea. Navigation is affected at Baltimore.

Mr. William Rockefeller, Mr. Robert Pruyn, and other millionaires have sent 3000 firefighters to the Adirondack Mountains.

Hundreds of farmers are fleeing for their lives from the villages.

The town of Sharman, on the banks of Crystal Lake, in the State of Maine, has been destroyed, and 1000 people are homeless.

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In the United States the damage by forest fires is estimated at £20,000,000. Rain has now checked the fires.

THE DESTRUCTION IN CANADA.

PRAYERS FOR RAIN.

LONDON, June 8.

In the maritime provinces of Canada there are 6000 people fighting forest fires, but with small success. Seven towns have been destroyed, the largest being Hopewell. The damage is estimated at £5,000,000.

Prayers for rain are general.

COLLISION AT SEA.

FRENCH STEAMER SINKS.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE FEARED.

LONDON, June 8.

The steamer Insulaire and the steamer Liban, both of Fraissinet and Co., of Marseilles, came into collision off that port on Sunday. The Liban, which was a 3000-ton vessel, sank in 10 minutes, bows foremost. The passengers were in wild disorder, and their shrieking was painful to hear.

Of the Liban's 240 souls, passengers and crew, it is feared that only 40 were saved.

Later.

A sailor, who was a passenger, attributes the collision to the inefficiency of the captain of the Liban. The weather was calm. After the collision there was only time to lower one boat.

The Liban was an iron steamer of 2308 tons, and was built in 1882 by Messrs. R. Napier and Sons, of Glasgow. She was owned by the Cie Marseillaise de Nav a Vapeur, the managers for which are Messrs. Fraissinet and Co. The Liban was 340ft. in length and 36ft. in breadth, with a depth of 15ft. She was supplied with compound engines, the diameters of the cylinders being 23½in., 46in., and 75in., with a stroke of 48in.

The Insulaire is a screw steamship of 934 tons, and was built in 1892 at Hull. Her dimensions are: Length 230ft. 6in., breadth 26ft. 3in., and depth 14ft. 3in. Her engines are of the compound expansion type, the diameters of the cylinders being 29½in., 50in., and 57in., with a stroke of 33in.

SOUTH AFRICA.

THE CUSTOMS CONVENTION.

ADOPTED BY THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

LONDON, June 8.

The Legislative Council of the Orange River Colony has unanimously adopted the Bloemfontein Customs Convention.

Mr. Chamberlain has congratulated Lord Milner on the successful result of the Customs Conference, and has expressed the appreciation of the Imperial Government at the recommendation for granting a preference to British goods.

MINING INDUSTRIES COMBINE.

DOMINATING COMMERCE.

LONDON, June 8.

The mining magnates of South Africa have arranged a gigantic combine to control the commerce and the industries concerned with the mines. It is proposed to dominate the markets and the rate of wages.

COLONIAL CONTINGENTS AT THE WAR.

PRESENTATION OF COLOURS.

LONDON, June 8.

The "Daily Mail" says that the War Office is preserving to the headquarters of each colonial contingent which took part in the war in South Africa a flag on which the engagements in which it took part are inscribed. There will be 109 flags altogether.

If a contingent has been disbanded the flag will be placed in a public building.

NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Monday.

A meeting of St. Andrew's congregation was held to-night and it was decided to ask the Presbytery of the Hunter for moderation in a call to fill the vacancy caused by the translation of the Rev. J. Crookston to Victoria.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN DISCOUNTS LABOUR LEADERS.

WHO PAYS THE DUTY?

PENSIONS FOR THE THRIFTY.

COMPARISON WITH PROTECTED COUNTRIES.

LONDON, June 8.

Mr. Chamberlain, in replying to a correspondent, said that he did not attach excessive importance to the opinions of the leaders of trade unions on his preferential trade proposals, because such leaders were strong radical partisans, whose opinions were not necessarily shared by the workers generally or even by trade unionists.

In connection with preferential tariffs and commercial fair play Mr. Chamberlain is confident that the workers will not submit to dictation, even by the most trusted leaders of trade unions.

In many cases the duty on corn would be paid by the exporters, and whether the duty would raise the cost of living would depend upon the extent of competition among the exporting countries. Even if the price of food were raised wages would be raised in greater proportion. In this connection he instanced the case of the United States and that of Germany.

If when negotiating with foreign countries we were able to bargain on equal terms, the duties now imposed would be generally reduced and foreigners would compete in our markets, bringing us nearer real free trade.

Mr. Chamberlain said he was confident that a revision of the import duties would secure a larger scheme of pensions for the thrifty and the well conducted.

It had been proved, he said, that the British possessions were capable of rapidly increasing their food supplies.

If, continued Mr. Chamberlain, his scheme for preferential trade would bring ruin and starvation, how could they account for the fact that the increase of exports, wages, and general prosperity of the last 20 years in the United States and Germany was greater than that of the United Kingdom, the only country enjoying unrestricted free imports.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN RECANTS.

LONDON, June 8.

Mr. Chamberlain, in writing to a correspondent, admits that the statement he made in 1881 to the effect that a tax on food meant a decline in wages is erroneous.

PARIS SUMMER MEETING.

GRAND PRIX DE PARIS.

WON BY QUO VADIS.

LONDON, June 7.

At the Paris Summer Meeting to-day the contest for the leading event on the card resulted as under:—

Grand Prix de Paris of 200,000 francs (8000 sovs.); if the winner be foaled in France the breeder to receive 1800 francs (600 sovs.) in addition; 150,000 francs (6000 sovs.) given by the City of Paris and 50,000 francs (2000 sovs.) by the five great railway companies; for entire colts and fillies foaled in 1899, of every description and country; added to a sweepstakes of 1000 francs (40 sovs.) each, 500 francs (24 sovs.) ft., and 500 francs (20 sovs.) only if declared by May 2, 1903; second to receive 20,000 francs (800 sovs.), and the third 10,000 francs (400 sovs.) out of the stakes; weights, colts about 9st 2lb., fillies about 8st 13lb. About 1m. 7f.

M. Edmond Blanc's ch c Quo Vadis, by Winkfield's Pride—Filomena 1

M. Edmond Blanc's ch c Caius, by Reverend—Chouse 2

M. Edmond Blanc's b c Vinicius, by Masque—Wandora 3

Fourteen horses ran.

The subscriptions to the Grand Prix de Paris totalled 478, and the subscribers included leading Continental sportsmen, as well as a large contingent of British turfmen, while America was also well represented on the list. Among the sires whose progeny were engaged in the great classic race of the Continent were the Australians Carbine and Trenton. The result is a record for such an event, inasmuch as the three placed horses were the nominations of the enthusiastic sportsman, M. E. Blanc, who, it will be remembered, paid the world's record price for Flying Fox. The winner, though, according to the conditions of the race, foaled in France, has British blood on both sides, inasmuch as his sire, Winkfield's Pride, was an Irish-bred horse, and his dam, Filomena, was bred in England by Lord Calthorpe and was purchased by M. Blanc in 1898 after being mated with St. Serf. She is by Petrarch from Hawthorndale, by Kettlethorn from Lady Alice Hawthorn, by Newminster. There is no record that Quo Vadis was raced as a two-year-old, but Caius, who ran second, ran three times last season and scored each time—in the Premiers Poulains at the St. Cloud August meeting, the Premier Criterium at the Paris August meeting and the Prix du Petit Couvert at the Chantilly October meeting. Vinicius, who ran third, carried silk four times last season and scored twice—in the Prix de Deux Ans at the Deauville August meeting, and the Grand Criterium at the Paris September meeting. During the current season Vinicius won a couple of races on his native turf before he was sent across to do battle for the blue ribbon of the English turf, and for which he made such a bold bid, but had to play second fiddle to Rock Sand.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, June 7.

Madame Albani, Miss Ada Crossley, Miss Clara Butt, and Miss Marie Narelle assisted at a successful concert in aid of the funds of the King's Colonial Volunteers. Several Royal personages were present.

The strength of the British volunteers on January 1 was 250,000. The shortage of officers, owing to the new regulations, was 1895.

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Baron O'Carroll has been gazetted Consul for Austria-Hungary at Sydney.

There is unprecedented stagnation in the Austrian iron industry. Great numbers of workmen are emigrating to America.

THE JEWS IN RUSSIA.

"S. M. HERALD" RELIEF FUND.

We have received the following contributions towards the "S. M. Herald" Fund for the relief of persons who have suffered by the persecution of Jews in Kishineff, Southern Russia:—

Amount previously acknowledged	£87	9 0
E. Ross, Inverell	1	1 0
	£88	10 0

On Sunday evening, in the I.O.O.F. Temple, the Rev. George Walters, minister of the Australian Church, delivered a discourse to a large congregation on the recent outrages upon the Jews in Russia, his remarks being of the nature of a "sympathetic response" to a recent sermon on the same topic by Rabbi Landau. The preacher said that certain of the Rabbi's remarks were of the nature of a challenge to the various Christian Churches to declare that the time had come for the persecution of a loyal and law-abiding people to cease; and to that challenge there would assuredly be a response, because they were living in a more or less enlightened age. Mr. Walters confessed to a very deep reverence for the religion and the ethics of Judaism. Long centuries ago a Patriarch sat at his tent door, thinking and dreaming, in the cool shade by day and gazing at the ever-moving moon and stars by night, thinking and dreaming of one great and almighty Power, pervading all space and touching every human heart. From that dream there had been evolved the purest form of family life that the world had known, and that family life had further developed into the nation which had persisted through all the trials and tribulations of the ages; and the religious thought had found expression in the one sublime doctrine of the Hebrew race—the Divine Unity. The branches of that national tree might, indeed, be said to have been rudely shaken, but by that very shaking the seeds of the living Faith had been wafted far and wide over the whole earth.

SECOND EDITION

THE SUGAR REBATES.

PAYMENT ON A POPULATION BASIS.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The Treasurer has made available a memorandum dated May 9 regarding the rebate on white-grown sugar. This statement is now in possession of the State Premiers. The position of each State is shown under the original rebate conditions, and the proposed bonus calculated on a population basis. 30,000 tons of sugar were produced by white labour, viz., 18,000 tons in New South Wales and 12,000 tons in Queensland, the rebate paid being £60,000. The Treasurer has traced the consumption of this white-grown sugar in each State, and if this system of distribution had remained in force the State Treasurers would have been debited with the following amounts for rebate:—

New South Wales ..	..	£44,000
Victoria ..	..	2,500
Queensland ..	..	7,100
South Australia ..	..	Nil.
Western Australia ..	..	2,400
Tasmania ..	..	3,600
Total ..	..	£60,000

The amounts work out on the population basis now proposed:—

New South Wales ..	..	£21,642
Victoria ..	..	18,786
Queensland ..	..	7,902
South Australia ..	..	6,658
Western Australia ..	..	3 246
Tasmania ..	..	2,606
Total ..	..	£60,000

New South Wales gains on the year on a population basis £22,758. Tasmania £894, while the losses are:—Victoria, £16,286; Queensland, £862; South Australia, £5637; Western Australia, £846.

It appears that Queensland exported the greater part of the white-grown sugar, the consumption of the State being 3550 tons white-grown sugar and 19,450 tons black-grown sugar; Western Australia consumed 3000 tons of Australian sugar and imported 7000 tons; New South Wales, 60,000 tons of Australian sugar and 6000 tons of imported sugar; Victoria, 8000 tons Australian and 48,000 tons imported sugar. The total consumption of Australia was 99,000 tons of Australian sugar and 81,040 tons of imported sugar. The revenue from Australian sugar was £237,000, and from imported sugar £486,000—a total of £723,000. Victoria obtained £288,000 by duty on imported sugar; South Australia, £105,600; Western Australia, £44,000; New South Wales, £36,000; and Tasmania, £15,000. It may be calculated that owing to the shortness of the Queensland production these States derived between them £300,000 more revenue than would be the case in a usual year.

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

BRITISH AND FRENCH NEGOTIATIONS.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The Prime Minister (Sir E. Barton) has received a lengthy memorandum from the Colonial Office, setting out negotiations between the Foreign Office and the French Government regarding the appointment of a commission to dispose of questions relating to property rights in the New Hebrides. The correspondence extends from February, 1901, to June, 1902. The memorandum handed to the French Ambassador on June 19, 1902, showed the complete British position and pointed out—1. That a commission of naval officers is not suited for the investigation of land titles. 2. That the British naval officer is not as a rule a member of the joint commission for more than one session, and he therefore has no chance of becoming acquainted with the questions involved. In these circumstances it would be unfair to place upon him the responsibility of deciding to uphold or reverse the opinions of his legal assistant, but if he is not prepared to do so and seek a compromise between where the French and the English lawyers differ, it would be impossible to reach a settlement. 3. That the labour of such an investigation, if thrown on the Naval Commission, would seriously interfere with the discharge of its proper duties. 4. That the commission would always have to act jointly in such matters, which would be difficult to arrange, as the French ship is only at the New Hebrides every alternate month during the season. 5. That in the occupation and subdivision claims now proceeding it is necessary to have the validity of titles determined once for all, and the commission would be quite unable to cope with the vast amount of work thus thrown upon it. The despatch continues:—"For these reasons his Majesty's Government adhered to their previous proposal; but they were willing to regard as valid without further investigation a claim asserted for three years by actual occupation (fencing, cultivation, &c.) without opposition or protest." Since the minute was drawn up negotiations have been continued, but not a word of any definite arrangement having been arrived at has yet been received by the Department of External Affairs.

ACCIDENT AT A DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE.

A PLAYER SHOT.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

During a dramatic performance at Ballarat to-night one of the performers, Mr. Eustace Llewellyn, was shot in the face. A prison scene was being played, in which the warder, Mr. Deane, with a gun in his hand threatens a prisoner represented by Mr. Llewellyn. The trigger of the gun received an accidental pull through striking a coat button, and the charge of powder and wad struck Mr. Llewellyn full in the face, causing a nasty wound which bled profusely. The injured man was promptly removed to the hospital for treatment. The injuries, though painful, are not considered dangerous.

QUEENSLAND.

INCOME TAX.

BRISBANE, Monday.

Since the beginning of the month £11,000 has been received for income tax, making a total to date of over £153,000.

MAILS DELAYED BY FLOODS.

The Deputy Postmaster-General has received a telegram from Warra stating that the mailman had returned, as he could not cross the Condamine, the flood waters being over the bridge. A telegram from Mr. George states that the main road from Dalby and Mungindi is under on Tuesday and Wednesday had not arrived. This morning both coaches returned. They had been detained by floods at the Moonie river.

In response to a request of the Minister for Works about 200 men now in receipt of Government rations assembled at the relief depot to-day. The Minister said he had called the men together for the purpose of seeing for himself what class of men were obtaining relief, and whether he could find employment for any of them. Since the administration of charities came into his hands he had been carefully considering what he could do to find employment for those capable of it. He thought it probable that a considerable number of the men would be put on by the Board of Waterworks in clearing away debris at Enoggera reservoir. He would also see if he could find room for any of them on some railway works now in progress or other work which might be under his control.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A TRAIN.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

The 2.30 train from Adelaide, on the Hills line, narrowly escaped being derailed about half a mile on the city side of the Upper Sturt yesterday afternoon. The recent rains had loosened between 10 and 15 tons of rock and clay, which rolled down a cutting, some of it falling close to one of the rails. The driver of the train did not notice the obstruction in time, and the whole of the lower part of the engine was scratched; the footplate was broken off, and the lower portion of the engine knocked about. The damage was not sufficiently severe to prevent the engine continuing the journey.

Burglars were busy at Glenelg, six miles from Adelaide, early on Sunday, and the houses of four well-known residents, all city business men, were entered. Mr. L. R. Scammell, a partner in Paulding and Co., lost a gold watch and chain. His clothes were taken from his bedroom downstairs to the kitchen, where they were afterwards found. Mr. C. G. Godfrey, sharebroker, lost a gold facing watch and chain and a sovereign case with £5 in gold. His clothes were also removed from his bedroom and left in the passage-way. A burglar was disturbed at the house of Mr. P. F. Stuart, of D and J. Fowlers. Mrs. Stuart heard someone in her room and saw a man with a white mask on. He disappeared quickly, and she called out. Mrs. G. W. Sudholz had a similar experience, and the man again decamped. Mr. F. Taylor has reported that his pony and trap were stolen from in front of Dr. Russell's house, Unley, about midnight on Saturday. The pony and trap were found early on Sunday near the cattle market, two miles from Unley, and had evidently been used by the robbers to reach Glenelg.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

OPENING OF NEW LAW COURTS.

PERTH, Monday.

The new law courts, the erection of which was recently completed at a cost of £55,000, were opened by the Governor, Sir F. Bedford, this afternoon.

During April the State batteries treated 219 tons of ore for 265oz.

The H.M.S. Rome will take the following gold consignments from Fremantle to-morrow morning:—For Bombay, 473oz., valued at £20,026; for Calcutta, 25,000 sovereigns; for Colombo, 50,000 sovereigns. She will also take for London 297 bags of ore, valued at £4618.

VICTORIA.

THE FEVER HOSPITAL.

INTENTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

At a meeting of the State Cabinet to-day the Minister took into consideration the question of the maintenance of the Fever Hospital, the opening of which has been delayed so long. Afterwards the Premier (Mr. Irvine) made the following statement:—"We have to-day decided the terms upon which the Government propose to assist the Fever Hospital. It has been determined that the hospital should be conducted under regulations to be approved by the Governor-in-Council. The infectious diseases to be treated at the hospital will be defined from time to time by an Order-in-Council. The Government will contribute by way of refund to the municipalities one-half of the amount expended by them in the maintenance, and the amount of Government contribution is not to exceed in any one year £1500. A promise will have to be made by regulation for the enforcement of section 156 of the Act, providing for payment by those patients who are able to pay for treatment. The Government is not to be called upon for any further contributions for buildings or equipment other than the £2000 already promised. Power will be granted to the Board of Public Health to send patients suffering from specific infectious diseases to the hospital. It must be understood that the Government will not have anything to do with the management except to approve generally of the regulations and management. The management will have to be entirely under the control of the municipalities. These terms are not those of an absolute contract. They are in the nature of an intimation of the intentions of the Government, provided the management and regulations are such as the Government can approve of."

RAILWAY RETURNS.

The railway revenue for the week ended June 5 was £12,027 less than for the corresponding week of last year. From July 1, 1902, to June 5, 1903, the revenue was £251,746 less than from July 1, 1901, to June 5, 1902.

THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT.

A conference of persons sympathising with the temperance movement was held to-day in the Independent Hall. It was convened by the Victorian Alliance. The principal subjects for consideration were:—Complete local option, abolition of barmaids, and enforcement of Sunday closing. It was unanimously decided that an active campaign should be carried on throughout Victoria with the object of securing local option legislation on the lines of the New Zealand Act, with such modifications as New Zealand's experience has shown to be necessary. It was further resolved,—"That this conference declares its conviction that in the interests of the native races of New Guinea it is desirable that the Commonwealth legislation introduced to deal with British New Guinea should contain clauses providing for the abolition of the importation or manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor."

The Revs. C. H. Bradbury and J. Hosking, of New Zealand, took part, and delivered vigorous addresses, urging temperance workers to carry the fight into the enemy's camp regardless of opposition.

One of the matters warmly debated was a motion for the abolition of barmaids, on account of the physical and moral evils involved in the employment of women in the capacity. The resolution was carried unanimously. The question of Sunday trading was also dealt with, and a motion was carried urging an amendment of the Licensing Act with a view of putting an effective stop to the Sunday trading evil. It was urged that the buyer as well as the seller of liquor on Sundays should be punished, and that the police be given increased powers to visit hotels and seize liquors.

THE WEATHER.

RAIN OVER A LARGE AREA.

Nearly three-quarters of the State participated in the rainfall of Saturday and Sunday, but over the greater part of the area the quantities registered were very small. Some good falls were received in Riverina and the Southern districts. The highest registration was 180 points at Cobar, and Tilta was recorded at Adelong, Albury, and Tumbarumba. Over an inch was also measured at Blayney, Kiandra, Tarcutta, and Tumut. The complete returns for the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

	Points.		Points.
Adaminaby ...	18	Jerry's Plains ...	10
Adelong ...	138	Junee ...	76
Albury ...	125	Jerilderie ...	60
Armidale ...	21	Katoomba ...	4
Balranald ...	20	Kiandra ...	104
Barmedman ...	40	Kurrajong ...	2
Bathurst ...	90	Maraboon ...	21
Bingara ...	8	Menindie ...	5
Bowral ...	2	Merriwa ...	15
Broken Hill ...	9	Moleget ...	21
Bundarra ...	6	Morangarell ...	10
Bendemeer ...	36	Moulamein ...	10
Blackheath ...	22	Moss Vale ...	7
Blayney ...	115	Mount Victoria ...	21
Begnabri ...	21	Medgee ...	10
Bungendore ...	37	Murrumburrah ...	70
Burrowa ...	58	Murrurundi ...	11
Carrathool ...	11	Muswellbrook ...	11
Corowa ...	43	Narrandera ...	28
Carcoar ...	160	Newcastle ...	3
Casella ...	20	Nundle ...	30
Coolah ...	18	Parkes ...	34
Cookamus ...	55	Peelgarra ...	16
Cowra ...	36	Pilliga ...	2
Cootamundra ...	2	Queanbeyan ...	23
Coolamundra ...	40	Quirindi ...	42
Cowra ...	48	Rockley ...	93
Deniliquin ...	26	Rose ...	17
Eden ...	6	Singleton ...	44
Euston ...	2	Tabulam ...	10
Finley (3 days) ...	150	Taree ...	3
Forbes ...	36	The Rock ...	84
Tsabo Island ...	24	Tenterfield ...	7
Germanton ...	64	Tarraga ...	60
Glen Innes ...	25	Tarcutta ...	103
Goulburn ...	25	Temora ...	87
Grenfell ...	6	Tulpa ...	1
Gulgong ...	10	Tocumwal ...	82
Gunnedah ...	7	Trangie ...	4
Gorogolon ...	3	Tumbarumba ...	128
Gundagai ...	74	Tumut ...	100
Gunning ...	74	Urana ...	93
Howlong ...	72	Wagga ...	45
Hay ...	20	Walcha ...	32
Henty ...	55	Whitton ...	9
Hill End ...	87	Yass ...	87
Inverell ...	5	Young ...	98

Yesterday a few light showers fell at scattered places, the additional measurements reported to the Observatory last night being as follow:—

	Points.		Points.
Albury ...	12	Hillston ...	2
Condobolin ...	13	Kiandra ...	14
Deniliquin ...	3	Mount Hope ...	3
Eurobodalla ...	5	Mount Victoria ...	4
Goulburn ...	1	Taralga ...	8
Grenfell ...	16	Wagga ...	22
Yass ...	17		

Mr. Russell predicts a continuance of the cold westerly winds to-day, with snow and showers on the highlands. The weather, he says, will generally be fine.

BELLINGER FLOODS.

RIVER CHANNEL ALMOST BLOCKED.

BELLINGEN, Monday.

The flood has now quite subsided. The effect has been to open up a splendid channel at the river entrance carrying over 10ft. of water. For nearly a week telegraphic communication has been suspended owing to there being only a single line-repairer for the whole electorate. Communication has been temporarily restored, but it will take some time to effect permanent repairs. Some serious washaways have occurred on the roads, practically suspending traffic.

The district union wired to the Minister to grant £200 for urgent works. The river channel about a mile from Bellingen is almost blocked with silt, and the public view with alarm the check this will cause to the trade of the upper district, which supplies two-thirds of the exports and imports. It is hoped the department will have the necessary dredging pushed forward, and if possible employ a second dredge on the north beach.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

BLACKHEATH.—Snow fell at intervals all day yesterday, much to the delight of visitors. Owing to rain having fallen during the last week it did not settle on the ground.

BLAYNEY.—On Saturday cold and boisterous weather set in from the south-west, accompanied by continuous rain and snow. Yesterday morning the surrounding country was covered with snow, but it soon disappeared. Last night the heavy rain had every indication of continuing.

COOLAMON.—Soaking rains still continue; 55 points fell from Saturday till this morning.

FINLEY.—Soaking rain has fallen since Friday, registering 150 points up to Monday morning, the weather continued cold and showery. The crops are doing splendidly.

GERMANTON.—Up to 6 p.m. to-day 47 points were registered. Owing to the inclement weather, the sports and concert in aid of the School of Arts at Culcairn had to be abandoned.

MILLTHORPE.—About 4 inches of snow fell during last night. It is very cold to-day, and still threatening.

MURRUMBURRAH.—At Harden last night and this morning showery rain fell, 26 points being recorded up to 9 a.m., making a total of 87 points altogether. It is still very cold, with sleety rain.

QUEANBEYAN.—Twenty-six points of rain have fallen since yesterday. The weather is showery and cold.

ROCKLEY.—Snow and sleety rain fell on Sunday; 94 points registered. It was cold on Monday with misty rain.

TRUNKEY CREEK. A heavy snowstorm fell here. The country was covered to a depth of 3in. It was still very cold on Monday.

TAMWORTH.—The last few days have been very cold at Tamworth, with showers of rain. Half an inch was registered at Nundle yesterday.

THE ROCK.—34 points of rain were recorded on Monday.

URANA.—It has rained since Saturday last, and 120 points fell. There is good water everywhere and crops are now assured.

WELLINGTON.—The weather has been bitterly cold during the last few days. Steady rain set in on Saturday night, and yesterday further light showers fell. There is every appearance of a continuance of similar weather.

For Influenza and Colds in the Head Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

STATE POLITICS.

STATE TREASURER'S SPEECH.

MR. ASHTON, M.L.A., IN REPLY.

"STUPID AND FOUNDATIONLESS CHARGES."

Asked if he had any comments to make upon Mr. Waddell's Kiama speech, Mr. Ashton said that the thing that struck one most about it was the extraordinary difference between its tone and that of the hon. gentleman's Cowra speech. At Cowra Mr. Waddell took up a position in the very first rank of the "calamity howlers," and outlined such a drastic scheme of retrenchment as to start everyone talking about it—except his colleagues. It would now appear as though the Treasurer had forgotten that he ever delivered the Cowra speech, his Kiama deliverance in its main parts being almost a replica of the speeches he was in the habit of delivering prior to his notorious retrenchment utterance—mere statements of account that could be made equally well by a clerk in the Treasury.

Most of the matters in Mr. Waddell's speech, said Mr. Ashton, had already been discussed ad nauseam, but he would like to say a few words in reply to the charges made by Mr. Waddell against him (Mr Ashton) of having been guilty of making inaccurate and untruthful statements. Those charges, which are three in number, were, as usual, fairly stupid and quite foundationless.

Mr. Waddell's first charge against him was that he said that there would be a deficit of a million in the current year's accounts. He had said nothing of the kind. What he did say was that the last gazetted statement of the public accounts published on the first of this month showed a deficiency of over a million. How much that amount would be reduced before the close of the year he could not of course say, but he (Mr. Ashton) stated that he felt sure that the deficiency on the year would be between half and three-quarters of a million. Such had invariably been the substance of his forecast as to the result of the year's finances.

The second charge made against him by the Treasurer had reference to his remarks in regard to the trust moneys. As he previously explained, but apparently quite unfortunately, he had on no occasion charged the Government with anything so preposterous as spending £12,000,000 of trust moneys on top of the money it has borrowed. What he had said on several occasions was substantially as follows:—"The Government of New South Wales has in its custody about £12,000,000, known as trust moneys, of which about £10,000,000 is represented by the deposits in the two savings banks—the savings of a very large number of people. At the end of last January the loan account was £4,600,000 overdrawn, and the consolidated revenue account £1,255,000. Every penny of the £12,000,000 trust moneys had been absorbed, and there was exactly £11,000 less than nothing in the Treasury." He then went on to say that, had any considerable demand been made for the repayment of deposits when the finances were in this condition, the Government would have had no means of meeting the demand except by a forced loan. His contention was that a state of things such as that represented reckless finance, and it was to that indictment the Government was required to plead, not to one that was never made. It was, no doubt, clever to raise a cheer from an audience by stating that Mr. Ashton charged the Government with appropriating £12,000,000, when, as a matter of fact, most of that money had been taken by preceding Governments, but, in the circumstances, it savoured of trickiness. Let Mr. Waddell and Sir John See confine themselves to the charges he had made, not to charges which neither he nor anyone else had ever dreamed of making.

The third remarkable statement which Mr Waddell credited him with having made and then successfully disposed of was the assertion that Sir William Lyne estimated the cost of "the resumed properties" at £1,500,000, upon which Mr. Waddell's comment was, "Sir William Lyne never made such an estimate. He (the Treasurer) had made an estimate at between £4,500,000 and £4,700,000." Might he inform Mr. Waddell of what he really did say, in order that he might answer it or not, as he pleased? In support of his financial charges against the Government he gave various illustrations of its slipshod, slipshod, imprudent methods. This was one of them. When Sir William Lyne submitted a resolution asking for Parliamentary authority to resume "the blocks"—as distinguished from the Darling Harbour frontages—he said this:—"It was estimated that the total cost of the resumption would be about £500,000 or £600,000. That amount will not be required at present, because there are certain areas round about the Observatory which it is not intended to resume. If necessary, those areas can be resumed at any time within the next two years, and in the meantime cannot increase in value. The estimated value of the land which it is proposed to take is, speaking from memory, something over £300,000." That was on November 29, 1900. On October 9, 1901, Sir John See was asked what the estimated cost was of "The Rocks" resumptions, and he replied, "£1,500,000!"—showing a discrepancy between the estimate upon the strength of which Parliamentary authority for the resumption was obtained and a valuation during the following 11 months of only £1,200,000.

It was a great pity that the country's attention and the space of the "Sydney Morning Herald" should be occupied by the Treasurer going into country centres for the purpose of skilfully knocking over Aunt Sallies which had no existence outside his own imagination. Mr. Waddell was not generally regarded as a humourist, but this paragraph had a lot of drollery, to say the least, about it: "It was necessary to maintain the credit of the country, and in order to do that the loan expenditure on works was now proceeding at what would be about the annual average rate for many years past." Bearing in mind that the Government had recently stopped a number of works in the middle, and in consequence of Mr. O'Sullivan being the "victim of his environment" has abstained from commencing a number of others, the paragraph quoted reminded him of a young recruit, since man who had laid out for himself and friends a long round of festivities, but was disappointed at the non-receipt of a bank draft from his father in England. As an excuse for the abandonment of his programme he solemnly tells his friends that he has decided to give up his extravagant

JAPANESE SQUADRON.

VISIT TO COLONEL BURNS.

ENTERTAINED BY THE SPORTS CLUB.

AN ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

If the subjects of his Imperial Japanese Majesty who comprise the complement of the visiting squadron have any cause for complaint when they leave Sydney, it will assuredly not be because they have been unable to see most of what the metropolis and its environs have to show. Even in the remoter suburbs for the last few days astounded nursegirls, who have not studied the papers closely, have been perplexed and perturbed to encounter swinging along in twos or threes or fours, neatly uniformed, cheery-faced little Japanese cadets agog to see all the sights of this, to them foreign, land. The Jacks, too, are a subject for delighted remark when they decorate the streets. They are so very like our own bluejackets in every way, except, perhaps, that their hilarity is a little more subdued. But they roll in their gait, and frequently they will be seen to link hands after our observed naval fashion when strolling down a thoroughfare. Whether deep-seated diplomacy or merely happy chance decided the visit of the training squadron will probably never be known, but there can be no question that it has been the means of clearing up an amount of misapprehension in the minds of the public as to the character and ability and progressiveness of our allies.

Yesterday Rear-Admiral Kamimura and a number of his officers and cadets accepted the invitation of Lieutenant-Colonel Burns to visit Gowan Brae. The journey to Parramatta gave an opportunity to the residents, through the Mayor, to voice their gratification at the visit of the Empire's allies. A thoroughly pleasant day was spent, Lieutenant-Colonel Burns's splendid hospitality and the cordiality of the local residents evidently impressing the Japanese most favourably.

The assault-at-arms given by the New South Wales Sports Club in honour of the visitors in the vestibuls of the Town Hall last night was a signal and striking success. Not unnaturally the attendance was both distinguished and considerable—in fact, it would have been difficult to accommodate any more than were present. For the entertainment itself nothing but praise can be given. That portion of it supplied by the Japanese was particularly applauded, the wonderful and peculiar styles of wrestling and swordsmanship being a revelation to most of the spectators.

During the day several of the staff officers visited the races. The three warships were "dressed" in honour of the Prince of Wales' birthday, and they were visited by several hundred persons.

A VISIT TO "GOWAN BRAE."

At the invitation of Lieutenant-Colonel Burns a number of officers and cadets from the Japanese warships paid a visit to Gowan Brae yesterday. The visitors included Admiral Kamimura, Captain K. Ide, Lieutenants T. Tou, T. Shiga, S. Yuzuki, K. Ide, N. Onuma, of the Hashidate; Lieutenant-Commander M. Otaki, Lieutenant K. Shimauchi, Lieutenant-Engineer O. Sumizu, Assistant Paymaster S. Kaneko, Sub-Lieutenants N. Shiraishi, S. Kurosawa, and S. Takahashi, of the Matsushima; Flag-Lieutenant Takeuchi, Surgeon Habuto, Lieutenant Kawakami, Sub-Lieutenants Nakajima, Murase, and Inouweye (of the Itsukushima). Amongst the Japanese residents were the Consul-General and his wife, Mr and Mrs. Eitaki; the Chancellor for the Japanese Consul and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fujii; and Messrs. Kitamura, C. Asano, K. Morita, S. Nakazumi, H. Ide, T. Komuroa, and others. The visitors arrived in Parramatta by the 11.10 a.m. train, and were met on the platform by Colonel Burns, who, after welcoming the Admiral, introduced his Excellency to a number of prominent townsmen who had assembled to do the visitors honor. Mayor Nolier, on behalf of the residents of Parramatta, extended a hearty welcome to the Admiral and the officers accompanying him. He was pleased to give them a welcome on behalf of the historic town, which felt honoured by the presence of the representatives of a nation that had such cordial relationship with the British Empire. The bonds between the two great nations were, he felt, for the welfare of humanity and the peace of the world. He trusted that their short stay amongst them might be a happy one, and that they would go away carrying with them nothing but pleasant memories. He then called for three cheers for the visitors, which were heartily given, the Admiral and officers acknowledging the compliment. The visitors then boarded several drags which were in readiness and drove away. The band, however, marched through the town playing lively airs, and joined the procession later on, when the visitors returned, en route for Gowan Brae, after a pleasant drive through the park. Then followed a beautiful drive along the Pennant Hills-road round as far as Brush Farm, where the party alighted for a few minutes to enjoy the beautiful panorama which lay before them. To the east were the upper reaches of the harbour, while far away to the west stood the Blue Mountain Range, and all around them the well cultivated orangeries loaded with golden fruit. The picture was an enchanting one, and the visitors were evidently delighted with it. Turning round again, a sharp drive of a quarter of an hour brought the party to the charming and stately residence of Colonel Burns. Here the visitors were warmly welcomed by Mrs. and Miss Burns, and they soon made themselves at home. The day was cold to a degree, and all were ready for the sumptuous luncheon that awaited them. At the conclusion of the luncheon Colonel Burns first proposed the health of the King, the band outside playing the National Anthem. Then, at a sign from the Admiral, the visitors added their token of loyal respect by shouting as one man "Banzai! Banzai!" which he informed the host meant "Long life—long life." The toast of "The Mikado," afterwards proposed by Colonel Burns, was honoured in similar fashion, the band playing the Japanese National Anthem. The host then proposed the health of the Admiral Kamimura, and in doing so said that Parramatta was proud to welcome such a distinguished visitor. The British and the Japanese nations were now allied, and he expressed the hope that that alliance would long continue. He was sure that the visit of the Admiral with his fine squadron of warships would do a good deal towards educating the people as to the importance of that alliance. He hoped they would all enjoy themselves thoroughly. So far as Parramatta was concerned, it would be a red-letter day.

Admiral Kamimura responded briefly by thanking Colonel Burns and wishing him and his whole household long life and prosperity. He concluded by asking his officers to drink the health of Colonel Burns and family, after which the thrilling shout of "Banzai! Banzai!" again resounded.

In the afternoon a garden party was held on the lawn, when the visitors made themselves quite at home. The band played some pretty music, after which the company fell in and marched round and round the lawn, the smiling Japs marching with great vim and chanting a pretty air, which it was afterwards explained was their national war song. Then came another processional march, the song this time being the "Song of Victory." This was written in commemoration of the great naval battle between the Japanese and the Chinese. At this time a large number of prominent residents were present, and the Japanese officers and cadets linked arm-in-arm with their allies—especially the female portion—and their faces beamed as they marched around and sang their song of victory. Then followed two more historical band selections, named respectively "Taikosen" and "Kurenkwan." When during the late war the Japanese stormed Port Arthur they did some loot, and among the things seized was the band parts of these two pieces. The Japanese bandmaster soon had his men practising the pieces, and they seem proud to play them. As the band was playing one of the above-named selections an officer proudly remarked in very good English to Colonel Burns, "We took that from China."

The visitors enjoyed themselves for an hour or so on the lawn, after which afternoon tea was partaken of, and shortly afterwards the return journey was made, one and all expressing themselves as highly gratified and pleased with the outing and the reception extended to them. Both on the outward journey and on the return the visitors were warmly cheered by the crowds, the compliment being always studiously acknowledged, even though a few urchins raised a cheer. Especially were the visitors delighted when they passed a tiny youngster waving a miniature Japanese national flag.

Amongst the guests invited to the garden party were—Mr. Brush, Mr. Williams, Captain Evans, Mr. and Miss Larcombe, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. and Mrs. Armitage, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Cairnes, Mr. C. Cairnes, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Bodenham, Archdeacon, Mrs. and Miss Gunther, Dr. and Mrs. Bowman, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Brown, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Lorton, Mr. and Mrs. Mathews, Mrs Holt, the Rev. A. W and Mrs. Tonge, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Byrnes, Dr. Mrs. and Miss Waugh, Mr. Bornley, Mr. Greenwood, the Rev. J. and Mrs. Paterson, Mrs. and Miss Bowman, Mrs. and the Misses Richards, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ritchie, the Rev. A. H and Mrs. Champion, Mr. W. s. Cory, Mr. Baxter, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Metcalfe, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, Dr. and Mrs. Kearney, Mrs and Miss Fairclough, Mr. R. Fairclough, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, the Misses Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. W. Noller (Mayor and Mayoress), Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Moxham, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. Woodhouse, Mr. J. Terry, Captain and Mrs. Phillips, Mr Black, Dr. and Mrs. Miles, Mr. Walker, Mr. Burton, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Burnell, Mr. Mrs and Miss Derval, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Cox, Miss Pringle, Miss Weston, Major and Mrs. Hilliard, Mr Grant, Miss Cummings, Captain Cross, Mr. M'Cartney, and Mr. and Mrs. Rock.

COMBATS OF TWO NATIONS.

JAPANESE AND ENGLISH ATHLETICS.

The New South Wales Sports Club arranged a grand assault-at-arms in the vestibule of the Sydney Town Hall last night in honor of the visit of the Japanese Squadron. They invited a large number of the officers and men of the squadron and many Sydney residents, in addition to members of the club, and the vestibule was crowded. The State Governor, the Lord Mayor, the Premier, the Vice-President of the Legislative Council, the State Commandant, the Minister for Lands, the Attorney-General, the Minister for Works, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Colonels Waddell and Neild were amongst the British representative men present; and Admiral Kamimura and his staff and Mr. Kitaki, the Consul-General for Japan, were present, as was also the Consul-General for France. A raped-in platform was fixed at one end of the hall, and over it the Japanese flag—the sixteen-petalled chrysanthemum which represents the blazing sun, was supported by the Union Jack and the Australian flag on either side. It was a pretty compliment, and was heartily appreciated by the Japanese guests. These gentlemen were formally welcomed by Sir John See, who had climbed within the roped enclosure to speak. His words breathed the amity of the two races and the cordial respect and admiration without which the new alliance of the two great nations would be weak. Both British and Japanese cheered his remarks and endorsed the sentiment that the diplomatic ties might be strengthened so that the combination of power might serve to help the human race. Sir John gave place to two Naval Brigade men, who furnished a good exhibition of single-stick work.

That was one style of British combat. It was followed by a bout of fencing by two Japanese officers, and the interest grew as the combatants entered the ring. They wore skirts and were bare-footed. Round the midbody was a shield of short rattan sticks. The two squatted on the platform vis-a-vis. Each bound a cloth round his head, and over that fastened an impenetrable mask. They bowed low to each other, then each grasped a huge two-handled sword—made of bamboo for obvious reasons—and warily rose. The points of the swords touched, described concentric rings, then were flung to arm's length, and the two men, emitting wild cries, territy-in their shrillness, sprang like tigers at each other. There was a rain of smashing blows as the swords crossed or hit headguard or body belt, and all the while the swordsmen dodged and stamped and jumped and shrieked, and the audience worked up into a state of very decided warmth. It was a relief when one of the fighters got in a staggering blow on his adversary's neck and sent him reeling back. There was a pause for breath, and the tension relaxed. At it again, they harled themselves bodily at one another, and all the time displayed a startling resourcefulness in attack and defence. It was a mixture of cutlass and foil, and a little of several other modes of fighting superimposed for variety. Whatever it is it developes an amazing deftness and force, and has, from the spectacular standpoint as much to recommend it as a whole game of football. But Japanese swordsmanship is not going to joke about. Its seriousness and value became apparent later in the evening when the arms of two nations met in friendly rivalry. Chief Petty-officer Hendy, of the Naval Brigade, is a keen master of the bayonet, and with that weapon he opposed the best Japanese swordsman available. The bayonet point was buttoned; the two-handed sword was of bamboo. The men eyed each other, then feinted, then stood off. It seemed all in favour of the bayonet, which with the rifle was nearly double the length of the sword. Suddenly the rifleman made a lunge, the Japanese sprang aside, caught the attack on his sword's point, replied with a turn of the wrist, and the rifle and bayonet lay on the floor. The suddenness and effectiveness of the reply was amazing. The wildest excitement prevailed, the Japanese visitors applauded enthusiastically, and the British, recognising the merit of the performance, cheered lustily. The swordsman was proud. Again the attack began, and again and again the swordsman cut his opponent about the body and head. The bayonet seemed out of it. After the first rush the rifleman began to understand the position better, and he got in two or three mortal thrusts, but the balance remained strongly in favour of the Eastern combatant. Each man was at the same disadvantage of unfamiliarity with his opponent's weapon. A contrast was supplied directly afterwards in a contest with foils, where the elegant play of those weapons and lissomness of the swordsman gave the nerves relief after the vigour and heat of the preceding engagement. There followed some very clever hand-balancing and tumbling by P. O. White, and then the Japanese athletes from the visiting squadron engaged attention. This time it was wrestling, and as a preliminary explanation two officers gave an exhibition of the art. Rather one officer gave the explanation and the other was his "shocking example," who was hurled about in a manner too emphatic for expression. The platform was thickly padded; if it had not been the unhappy "example" must have been reduced to pulp. Later on in the evening he got some recompense, however, for there was a wrestling bout in earnest, and he got his master down very frequently and very heavily. The style involved leg work of a generous order, and if in order to bring your man down it seems expedient to apply your foot as a lever to his stomach it is quite permissible. These two men hurled each other all over the staging, and effected throws with a celerity which any athlete might envy. There was an acuteness about it all that sustained the enthusiasm of the audience. Once there was a ground struggle, and the one who finally clamped to prevail glared balefully at his opponent and proceeded to strangle him. He continued that painful operation till the nethermost man beat the ground in token of submission. Something of the kind happened in the sword v. bayonet contest. The swordsman had disarmed the rifleman, and as the rifle clattered on to the ground the victor sprang with all the agility of a cat upon it, and raising his sword dared the other to approach. The rifleman had to salute as a sign of submission before he got his weapon back. Another event was a cavalry sword display, but it was more curious than exciting, in that it seemed to mainly consist of sheathing the sword three times for every two cuts made with it.

Professor Gordon gave a clever exhibition of chain and strap bursting by chest expansion, and he also did some heavy weight lifting, including the lifting of a cartwheel 135lb. in weight. There were also exhibitions of boxing, and an entertainment unique in Sydney closed with cheers for the Japanese Admiral and his officers.

ON BOARD THE FLAGSHIP.

Those officers who remained aboard their ships yesterday were busily engaged throughout the day in escorting visitors over the vessels. Many hundreds of interested sightseers visited the war vessels, all of which were thrown open by order of Rear-Admiral Kamimura, for inspection by the public. The Hashidate, Itsukushima, and Matsushima were decorated in honour of the Prince of Wales. The ships having only one mast each do not lend themselves to elaborate displays, nevertheless the Japanese dressed the vessels very tastefully, and made the most of the material at their command.

To-day and to-morrow coaling operations will be carried on on board the Hasidate, and the officers state that visitors would be inconvenienced. Still visitors will be welcomed on board the other two vessels, and later on the flagship will also be in a fit condition for inspection.

Three engineers from each of the three warships left Sydney by train last evening for Newcastle to inspect some of our principal collieries. They will return to Sydney this evening.

MOVEMENTS OF THE ADMIRAL, OFFICERS, AND MEN.

This morning Rear-Admiral Kamimura will pay courtesy calls on the Premier, the Lord Mayor, and the Commandant of the Military Forces. At 1 p.m. the Admiral will attend the Lord Mayor's luncheon, and during the afternoon a party of officers and men will be present at the Randwick Rifle Range. At 3 o'clock the surgeons of the Hashidate, Itsukushima, and Matsushima will, by invitation, pay a visit of inspection to St. Vincent's Hospital, and in the evening the Admiral, with the captains of the three warships and several other officers, will be present at a ball in connection with St. Vincent's Hospital, to be held at the Town Hall.

To-morrow, at 11 a.m., the members of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce will pay a visit to the flagship Hashidate, and will be received by Rear-Admiral Kamimura. From 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. the officers of the visiting fleet will be entertained at a harbour excursion by the Acting Consul-General for Japan. At 6.30 21 bluejackets from each of the three ships, in command of petty officers, will be entertained at the Royal Naval House, and will remain there for the night, returning to their ships on the following morning. Mr. Sheerston has completed all arrangements, and the Rear-Admiral has permitted the band of the Hashidate to take part in the proceedings. At 8 p.m. Rear-Admiral Kamimura, with his officers, will be entertained by Vice-Admiral Fausbawe at Admiralty House, and at the same hour five officers from each ship will attend a smoke concert given by the Sydney Lodertafel.

On Thursday morning the Japanese Admiral with some of his officers will proceed to Bellambi for the purpose of inspecting the coal mines there. They will leave Sydney at 9 a.m., returning at about 5 p.m. At 6.30 p.m. another detachment of 91 bluejackets from each of the three ships will be entertained at the Royal Naval House. At 9 p.m. Rear-Admiral Kamimura and officers will be the guests of his Excellency the Governor-General, and the squadron will be illuminated.

At noon on Friday the members of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce and other merchants numbering about 200 all told will receive Rear-Admiral Kamimura and four officers from each ship at the Royal Exchange. From 3 to 5 p.m. Rear-Admiral Kamimura will hold a reception on board his flagship the Hashidate, and it is anticipated that the number of guests will be very large.

On Saturday the Admiral and officers will be the guests of the State Parliament. During the afternoon a party of 30 engineering students from the University will visit the Hashidate for the purpose of inspecting the machinery in which a good deal of interest is being manifested.

On Sunday at 9 a.m. the squadron will sail for Japan, via Townsville and other ports.

THE FLEET TO BE ILLUMINATED.

The visiting Japanese warships are to be brilliantly illuminated on the occasion of the function at the Federal Government House on Thursday evening next. The prominent features of the three vessels, such as the masts, yards, funnels, deck lines, &c., are to be completely outlined with some hundreds of white incandescent electric lamps. A representation of the flag of Rear-Admiral Kamimura flying from the masthead of the Hashidate will be a conspicuous feature of the display. The flag will be formed by electric lights and the design will be worked out by means of coloured lamps. The ships will be illuminated at 9 o'clock, and the current will be cut off at midnight.

THE DEPARTURE OF THE SQUADRON.

His Excellency Rear-Admiral Kamimura has definitely decided to sail from Sydney on the homeward journey on Sunday morning next. The flagship Hashidate will be coaled to-day and to-morrow for the voyage to Japan, and the other ships will be coaled later in the week. The squadron upon leaving Sydney Harbour will proceed direct to Townsville, and a call will be made at Thursday Island, where the Admiral will change his flagship to the Itsukushima. Inquiries made on board the Hashidate last night elicited the fact that the squadron will also call at Manila and several ports on the coast of Corea on the way home to Japan.

OFFICERS' PARTY AT NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Monday.

A party of Japanese naval officers arrived to-night from Sydney, and in the morning will be entertained at the Caledonian Coal Company's West Wallsend Colliery.

INTER-STATE CHESS.

NEW SOUTH WALES v. VICTORIA.

Advantage was taken of the public holiday to hold the annual telegraphic match between New South Wales and Victoria. The local team met at the Manhattan Tea Rooms, George-street, and our friend the enemy played from the Melbourne Stock Exchange. Play commenced at 11.30 a.m., and continued, with adjournments for lunch and dinner, until 10.30 p.m. It was arranged that games unfinished at call of time should go to Mr Charlick, the South Australian master, for adjudication. Mr. Spedding, hon. secretary N.S.W.C.A., acted as manager of the local team, and Mr. Wilson, captain of the Victorians, in a similar capacity for them. The time limit was 36 moves the first two hours and 18 moves an hour afterwards.

The openings adopted were: Boards 1, 2, 3, Petroff; 4, 5, 10, Ruy Lopez; 6, Queen's Gambit declined; 7, centre; 8, Evans; and 9, centre counter.

It is not sportsmanlike to hedge by saying one's representatives are not the strongest procurable, but it was impossible to overlook the absence of our four strongest players—Messrs. Jacobsen, Wallace, Crane, and Hall. It was also a pity that the system of selecting the representatives at the lower boards by actual play-off between the ten or a dozen players who are, for the time being, best entitled to selection, was not adopted. Apart from other objections to it, the present method does not call into play a very strong spur to ambition on the part of the individual. A number of selected men invariably fail to put in an appearance. A constant stream of interested onlookers watched the progress of the play, amongst others:—Messrs. Jacobsen, Crane, M'Donnell, Beeby, Bennett, Harris, Stanway, Christenson, Johnston, Walshe, Bamford, Bignell, Cowley, Dobell, Paige, Hardaker, Nash, Rev. A. Miller, Rev. N. J. Cocks, and Henderson. Mr. S. A. Marrow was the operator at this end, and Mr. A. Oliver at Melbourne, and they performed their arduous work without a hitch. The Sydney tellers were Messrs. Parry, Hodginson, Somerhoff, and Spence, Mr. M'Donnell was umpire for Victoria in Sydney, and Mr. Henning for New South Wales in Melbourne.

The Play.—Mr. Taylour (N.S.W.) was the first to score, his opponent, Rev. T. Botts (Vic.) resigning. Mr Hay (Vic.) equalised matters by forcing the resignation of Mr. Mackenzie (N.S.W.). Mr. Crakanthorp, by defeating Mr. Wilson, who made an oversight early in the game, gave New South Wales a lead, which Mr Turner increased by defeating Mr. Weldon. At call of time the position was:—New South Wales, 3½; Victoria, 1½; unfinished, 5.

The result of the pairing was:—

New South Wales.—1, Mr. Jones, *; 2, Mr. Crakanthorp, 1; 3, Mr. J. Hill, *; 4, Mr. N. Hill, *; 5, Dr. Lauchster, ½; 6, Mr. Turner, 1; 7, Mr. Wallis, *; 8, Mr. Taylour, 1; 9, Mr. Foster, *; 10, Mr. Mackenzie, 0. Total, 3½.

Victoria.—1, Mr. Watson, *; 2, Mr. Wilson, 0; 3, Mr. Loughran, *; 4, Mr. Russell, *; 5, Mr. Grant, ½; 6, Mr. Weldon, 0; 7, Mr. Wilton, *; 8, Rev. T. Botts, 0; 9, Mr. Read, *; 10, Mr. Hay, 1. Total, 1½.

*Unfinished. Referred to Mr. Charlick for adjudication.

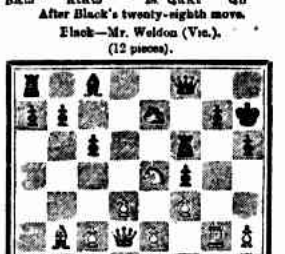
BOARD 6.

	White—Mr. Turner (N.S.W.).		Black—Mr. Weldon (Vic.). (Queen's Gambit declined.)	
1.	PQ4	PQ4	15. QQ	PKt4
2.	PQB4	PK3	16. KtK5	QK
3.	KtQB3	KtKB3	17. PKB4	KtKtQ4
4.	BKt5	BK2	18. QB3	KtKtP3
5.	KtB3	Castles	19. PKR3	KtxKt
6.	PK3	PQB3	20. PxKt	RK5
7.	KB	PKR3	21. QQ	KtKB3
8.	BH4	QKtQ4	22. PK4	KtQ4
9.	QQ3	PxP	23. QQ3	QQ
10.	BxP	KtQ4	24. KQ2	RKt1
11.	BxB	QxB	25. KRK1	KR2
12.	Castles	QKtB3	26. PxP	PxP
13.	QQ2	KtK2	27. RK1	BB3
14.	BK3	KtKt5	28. QxKt	QB

After Black's twenty-eighth move.

Black—Mr. Weldon (Vic.).

(12 moves).



(12 pieces).

White—Mr. Turner (N.S.W.).

Forsyth Notation Modified.—r, 1b, 2q, 2pp, 2n, 1pk, 2p, 2r, 1p, 4Np, 5P, 1P, 2BPnP, 1RPP, 6K, 6R, 1.

29.	RxPch	QxR	BK1
30.	QxQch	KxR	PQKt3
31.	QK3	BK8	RK
32.	QxKP	Kt6	Resigns.
33.	QxQKt2	PQR3	
34.	QK3		

LATE SPORTING.

BOWLS.

GLADSTONE PARK v. MANLY.

A friendly match was played between these clubs on Manly green on Monday, which was won by Gladstone Park by 84 to 79.

	G.P.	M.
Froude, Pnauck, T. Jesson, Short ...	18	—
Booker, Rae, Walker, Dinehew ...	—	15
Kavanagh, H. Jesson, Simpson, Batty ...	27	—
Hughes, Asher, Paseau, Lockham ...	—	18
Dingwall, M'Clarty, Settree, Meyer ...	24	—
Robey, Millett, Hunt, Wright ...	—	25
Wallace, M'Donald, Jones, Mills ...	20	—
Moses, Prince, J. Badmington, Hind ...	—	21
Totals	84	79

Half-hour scores:—Gladstone Park, 20, 40, 64, 84. Manly, 18, 42, 56, 79.

Majority for Gladstone Park, 5.

CYCLING.

MANLY BICYCLE CLUB.

The Manly Club held mile and half-mile handicap races at Manly Park on Monday, which attracted a large crowd of interested spectators.

One Mile Handicap.—Entries: H. Tucker, scr.; W. Gehagan, scr.; R. de Russett, 5yds.; E. Adams, 15; H. Ferguson, 25; A. Ruwald, 45; G. Southern, 55; A. George, 60; S. Pattinson, 65; H. Clark, 65; S. Ferguson, 85; J. M'Elrick, 90; W. de Russett, 90; S. Stoney 95; S. Wild, 120. Result: H. Tucker, 1; H. Ferguson, 2; A. Ruwald, 3.

Half-mile Handicap.—Entries: F. Tucker, scr.; W. Gehagan, scr.; R. de Russett, scr.; E. Adams, 10yds.; H. Ferguson, 15; A. Ruwald, 20; G. Southern, 25; A. George, 30; S. Pattinson, 35; H. Clark, 35; S. Ferguson, 55; J. M'Elrick, 40; W. de Russett, 45; S. Wild, 55. Result: S. Wild, 1; A. George, 2; A. Ruwald, 3. The prize for the one mile handicap was present d by Mr. H. Sprelein, and that for the half-mile handicap by the Manly Club.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

GRANVILLE HOSPITAL SPORTS.

The Granville Bicycle Club held a day's sports on the Granville Park yesterday, the proce ds being in aid of the funds of the Parramatta District Hospital. There was a large attendance, and the sports were excellently carried out by a strong committee, the secretaries being W. Hilder and G. Yeatman. Following is the result of the principal events:—

Two Miles Open Handicap Bicycle Race.—S. J. Taylor, 300yds., 1; N. Saunders, 250yds., 2.

Half-mile Open Handicap.—S. Saunders, 65yds., 1; W. Nicholas, 70yds., 2; S. J. Taylor, 80yds., 3.

Half-mile Club Handicap.—S. Saunders, 35yds., 1; W. Scarborough, 20yds., 2.

League of Wheelmen's Race, 2m.—J. Mumford, 40yds., 1; C. Bathie, 120yds., 2.

Boys' Handicap Footrace, 100yds.—J. Worby, 1; W. Guyatt, 2.

Girls' Footrace, 50yds.—Dora Saunders, 1; Ruby Williams, 2.

Half-mile Foot Race.—P. Hull, 1; W. Gillard, 2.

One Mile Walking Handicap.—Brennan, 1; Hamilton, 2.

One Mile Fancy Dress Bicycle Handicap.—L. C. Vidler, 1. J. Retallick took the prize for the best fancy dress.

A musical chair bicycle event was won by F. Streeter.

100yds. Open Foot Race Handicap.—H. Ord, 1; J. Marshall, 2.

440yds. Foot Race.—J. Marshall, 1; W. Cann, 2.

There were two accidents. In the half-mile heat Higgins fell and brought three others down with him. Higgins was badly cut about the face, and very much bruised. In the second heat of the 1½ mile handicap, the final of which has yet to be run off, W. carborough missed his pedal, and his foot caught in the wheel. Has was thrown heavily, and rendered unconscious for some time.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

KATOOMBA, Monday.

In a rifle match between Katoomba and the Army Service Corps Katoomba scored 467 and the Army Service Corps 468, Katoomba thus winning by 78. Crowshaw (Katoomba) scored the possible at the 500-yards range.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN'S UNION.

At last week's meeting of the Manly branch of the Catholic Young Men's Union it was decided to revive the literary and debating nights, and the president Mr. R. F. Quinn, called upon Mr. W. H. Gocher to form a "Ministry." Mr. Gocher announced as his colleagues Messrs. John Hughes and M. J. Ryan, and that the "Government" would affirm at the next meeting "that preferential trade would be detrimental to the best interests of Australia." Mr M'Carthy tendered his resignation as secretary and Mr. Mason was appointed in his place. The president informed the members that a purse of sovereigns and an illuminated address would be presented to the Rev. Father Haydon next Thursday.

For Chronic Chest Complaints, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 9d.—Advt.

REFORM.

LIBERAL AND REFORM ASSOCIATION.

REPORTS FROM THE COUNTRY.

Mr. B. James, hon. secretary of the Liberal and Reform Association, has received a notification from Mr. J. H. Carruthers, and Messrs. Rose and Fallick, M.L.A., that they held a most successful meeting at Mudgee last Thursday. The Town Hall was crowded, and the audience most appreciative. The work done has strengthened the local cause. A former political antagonist of Mr. Carruthers, and who contested the St. George Electorate against him in the solidarity party's interest, Mr. Acton, seconded the vote of thanks and expressed himself in thorough accord with views of the Liberal leader. Some of Mr. Acton's remarks were most pertinent. He pointed out that on October 10 last the local member had published paragraphs in a local paper to the effect that he was glad to say that the Government at his request had just agreed to grant £300 for a statue of Sir John Robertson to place in the Mudgee Park, and second that he thought the Government would win in the pending vote on the Friedman case. Mr. Acton said that no doubt the member for Mudgee feared that Sir John Robertson's shade might arise from the grave to condemn him and the Government for the violation of the principles of the Constitution in the Friedman case, and the grant was to appease the illustrious dead who formerly represented Mudgee. The placating of both the part and the present was reduced to a fine art by this Ministry.

MEETINGS FOR TO-NIGHT.

A meeting under the auspices of the association will be held to-night at Canterbury. The speakers will be Mrs Rhys Davies, Mr. D. Levy, M.L.A., and Mr. F. F. H. Mackenzie, M.L.A.

An open meeting of the association will take place this evening at Vickery's chambers to discuss the question of reform of the State land policy.

REFORM MOVEMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—With regard to the above movement there appears to be a very hard nut to crack in bringing the real reformers into line with a properly constituted executive body with a reliable leader. In the majority of cases those who talk the most are the least sincere in the movement, their principal object being to obtain the most prominent position obtainable to further their own ends.

Take for instance the constitution of the executive body of the Liberal and Reform Association, which consists of some 24 members, 24 of whom are members of Parliament. These 24 members are practically guaranteed their selection by the executive to contest their present electorates, no matter what their previous actions were. These 24 members have their numerous friends, consisting of members and ex-members of Parliament, who will move heaven and earth to become a selected candidate of the party.

Now, to get these friends the nomination of the party only requires the Parliamentary section of the executive to obtain a few votes of the 24 lawmen. Under such conditions, how can the required reforms be obtained, especially when there are only the usual hustings pledges given, which are broken in many instances almost as soon as Parliament meets?

In my opinion there should be only one man at the present time whom the reform party should be pledged to, and that is the selected reform leader, and no other aspirant for Parliamentary honours should belong to any executive body that deals with the selection of candidates, and all renegades should be given a very wide berth.

To carry this into force more stringent methods are enforced instead of verbal pledges should be one of the first aims of all true reformers. Take into consideration the last State electorate, which were carried out by the liberal party under similar conditions. Many of those who were selected and returned to Parliament under the liberal banner deserted the party and became members of what is called the country party. This country party actually voted against the very party that secured their return to Parliament. These very members, and the recent renegades from the Government ranks, are now taking a prominent part as members of the Liberal and Reform Association. The question is, Can these reformers be trusted who have supported the Government for the past two years in their extravagant career and legislation which has discouraged private enterprise and the investment of capital, to the detriment of the honest workers, as no man who enters into business under the existing conditions where labour is required is master of his own, but practically the servant of the employees? Under such conditions, is it any wonder that those who can are leaving the State? It is not the state of the land laws that is causing the departure of thousands of the prescribed class, but the Acts of Parliament which have been passed by the present and ex-members (who are now doing their utmost to re-enter Parliament under the cloak of reform, and there remain without effecting the necessary reform). If they are genuine in their reform cry, it appears very strange they did not bring about some reform when holding positions which gave them every opportunity to do so. The next aim of the party should be to formulate a method to oust a member who breaks his pledges or becomes a rat-sitter—thus a renegade from and a traitor to the electors who placed him in Parliament as their trusted representative. One of the foremost planks in their platform should be the minimising of the remuneration paid to members of Parliament, by payment for attendance and not when in recess, and no fees for Parliamentary Work Committees, Royal Commissions, &c. By these means the professional politician would be minimised to such an extent that the ordinary members' snug incomes of £500 to £1000 or more per year would be luxuries of the past. I sincerely trust that the true reformers will join hand in hand and select their leader, give him loyal support so long as he acts loyally to his trust, and shun all political trucksters who are at the present time busy canvassing electorates with a view of sneaking into Parliament behind the backs of more capable, honest reformers. I am, &c.,

STRINGY BARK.

CASUALTIES AND FATALITIES.

A BOY INJURED.

A boy named Donald M'Gregor, 8, residing at Belmore road, Burstville, was running alongside of a bullock-waggon yesterday when he slipped and fell under the wheels. He was taken to Prince Alfred Hospital, where, on examination by Dr. Suckling, it was found that the right leg had been fractured in two places. He was admitted for treatment.

COLLISION WITH A TRAM.

About 6.40 p.m. yesterday as a cart loaded with newspapers was leaving the "Herald" Office it was run into by a Pitt-street tram. The vehicle was completely wrecked, and a boy named George Bottomley who was riding in it was thrown out. Traffic Constable P. J. Woods took him to Sydney Hospital, where his injuries were attended to, and he afterwards left for his home. The driver escaped unhurt.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A TRAM.

A little girl named Vera Robinson, living at 173 Darling-street, Balmain, was knocked down by a tram yesterday, and received a severe scalp wound and bruises about the body. She was taken to the Balmain Cottage Hospital.

A BOY HURT.

A boy named Maurice Lasbeis, residing with his parents in 36 Reynolds-street, was climbing some rocks in Birchgrove Park, when he fell a distance of 12ft. and fractured his right arm. He also received slight concussion of the brain, which necessitated his removal to the Balmain Cottage Hospital.

DEATH FROM POISONOUS FUMES.

STROUD, Monday.

An inquest was held by the coroner at the Tea Gardens on Saturday on the body of Thomas Douglas, 18, son of a fisherman, residing at Myall Lakes. A verdict was returned that death was caused by poisonous fumes escaping from the exhaust funnel of the oil launch Hercules. The jury added a rider:—"That, in their opinion, the Marine Board should see that vessels were fitted up with proper means of carrying off such fumes." Deceased left the Tea Gardens on the launch at 1.30 a.m. on Friday last, intending to go home. The weather being very cold, deceased wrapped himself in a sail and lay down near the escape valve, and doubtless inhaled the fumes of the engine, which was worked by benzine He was discovered about two hours after leaving the Tea Gardens. Life was seen alive half an hour before being found. Efforts were made to restore animation without avail. Deceased recently arrived from Sans Souci.

INJURED BY A FALLING TREE.

CAMDEN, Monday.

A man named Walter Carlon met with a severe accident on Saturday, a tree falling upon him, necessitating amputation of one of his legs at the knee.

BROKEN HILL, Monday.

A man named William Eichler was out in Kangarooing on Saturday. Forty yards away from town a tree had passed over one of his legs, breaking the thigh. With some trouble Eichler was brought back to Broken Hill.

RAIN-MAKING EXPERIMENTS.

BROKEN HILL'S OFFER.

BROKEN HILL, Monday.

Dr. M'Carthy's offer to produce 3in. of rain within three weeks for £5000 has been under the consideration of the local Chamber of Commerce. It was decided that £2000 be guaranteed locally if subsidies are secured from other interested parties. The secretary to-day telegraphed the terms to the Government, the Broken Hill Water Supply, and the Broken Hill Proprietary Company. The message to the companies said, "Dr. M'Carthy offers to visit Broken Hill and produce 3in. of rain within three weeks. We are prepared to offer £2000. If a failure, there will be no payment. Will your company subsidise, and to what amount?" The wire to the Government was of a similar tenor. So far no reply has been received to any of the messages.

Mr. C. H. COMPTON, Olive Hill, Ky., writes:—"I tried Jayne's Expectorant for a COLD OF LONG STANDING, which HAD BECOME HEROUS, and in a very short time I was COMPLETELY CURED."—Advt.

For Bronchial Coughs take Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 9d.—Advt.

COUNTRY NEWS.

LOCKHART TO CLEAR HILLS RAILWAY.

URANA, Monday.

The Public Works Committee arrived at Lockhart on Thursday and took evidence re the proposed extension of the railway from Lockhart to Clear Hills, via Urana. Representatives from the Urana Railway League met the committee at Lockhart and piloted them across to Urana on Friday morning. Evidence was taken at Urana on Friday, and on Saturday the

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Messrs. W. Inglis and Son will sell by auction, at their bazaar, at 12 o'clock to-day, the racing mare Barber, Anonymous, a chestnut gelding by Occultator, and Greyness, 14.3, by Cambria. Particulars appear in our business columns.

Entries in connection with the pony and galloway meeting to be held at Brighton on Friday, close with the secretary (Mr. S Peters) to-morrow.

Mr. W. L. Davis will receive entries up till Friday afternoon next for the pony and galloway meeting afternoon next for the pony and galloway meeting afternoon next for the pony and galloway meeting to be held under the management of the Kensington Racing Club on the 17th instant.

The Bondi Park Racing Club's weekly meeting will be held this afternoon, the first race being timed for 2 20 p.m. Special trams will leave at 12.55 p.m and 1 12 p.m.

J. O'Connor, who rode Equator in the Stewards' Mile at Warwick Farm on Saturday, lodged a complaint against two of the riders engaged in the race on the ground that they had interfered with him in the latter was investigated by the stipendiary stewards yesterday, with the result that the complaint was dismissed.

J. E. Brewer, who leaves Melbourne for England by the Omrah to-day, has handed Wairiri over to her owner. When Australian returns from South Australia he and Wairiri will be sent to Wangaratta for a spell of three or four months before being shipped to South Africa.

The last has been seen on the turf of the Victorian hurdle-racer Gosport, who has broken down, and Mr Bloomfield has decided to retire him to the stud.

The three-year-olds, War Cloud, by Bill of Portland from Gwenlyfrd, and Athanie, by Pilgrim's Progress from Athalia, have been added to the list of engagings and sent for a long spell to Mr H Power's station near Albury. They were accompanied by the two-year-old filly by The Harvester from Madcap, who will not be put into work until her owner, J. E. Brewer, returns from England.

MELBOURNE SPORTING.

MELBOURNE Monday.

Dulcimer was sold to-day to the jockey J. Robinson at present on a visit to Australia from India The price paid was a high one. He purchased on behalf of an Indian potentate.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.

PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

ZOTHOS WINS THE PRINCE OF WALES' STAKES.

AND BROKERAGE THE STEEPLECHASE.

The weather yesterday was fine though cold, and there was a numerous attendance at the Randwick racecourse on the occasion of the second day of the A.J.C.'s Prince of Wales' Birthday Meeting. The club was favoured with vice-regal patronage, his Excellency Lord Tennyson (the Governor-General) and his Excellency Sir Harry Rawson (the State Governor) being present, and among the spectators, in addition to Rear-Admiral Kamimura and a number of officers from the Japanese men-o'-war now visiting Sydney, were many prominent public men. The grounds were in capital order, and, as usual at A.J.C. gatherings, all the arrangements left nothing to be desired, and were carried out in a thoroughly satisfactory manner under the supervision of the secretary, Mr. T. St. Ribboron. Mr. L. de Groen's string band, military band was stationed on the lawn throughout the afternoon, and performed a programme of choice selections, which gave general pleasure. The racing was of an interesting character, and nothing occurred to mar the success of the meeting, the mishaps which occurred in the Steeplechase fortunately resulting in no injury to either the horses or their riders.

DRESSES AND ATTENDANCE.

For an "off" day there was a large and fashionable attendance, and despite the cold windy weather the course and its surroundings looked particularly gay. Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Tennyson drove out early, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs Boyle, and attended by Lord Richard Nevill, Mr. Wingfield, and Mr. Boyle. Their Excellencies entertained the following guests at luncheon: His Excellency the Admiral, Mrs and Miss Fanshawe, Lord Beringdon, Major-General Sir Edward Hutton, Captain and Mrs Pursetty, Mrs. and Miss Boyle, Captain Matsumota, Captain Ijiti, Commander Moriyama, and three other Japanese officers, Lord Richard Nevill, Mr Wingfield, Captain Onslow, and Mr Boyle, and later in the day invited the same party to afternoon tea. His Excellency the State Governor and Lady Rawson also drove out before the first race, accompanied by Miss Alice Rawson and Miss Rawson, and attended by Major Holman and Captain Robertson Clark. The vice-regal luncheon party included Mrs. and Miss Macarthur Onslow, Mr. and Mrs. Harmer, and Captain Shepherd, R.N. Mrs and Miss Onslow and Mrs. and Miss Burdekin were amongst those who had afternoon tea with Sir Harry and Lady Rawson. Being so cold, all the ladies were wintry dresses, and furs and wraps were most acceptable. Lady Tennyson was in a dark green tailor-made cloth dress, with a long, tight-fitting coat and a dark fur boa and a black hat. Lady Rawson was in pale grey trimmed with black and white, and wore a handsome sealskin cloak, and a dark purple velvet toque, edged and trimmed with sable. Miss Alice Rawson's favourite coloured cloth was worn with a white boa, and a white felt hat with touches of red. Mrs. Fanshawe's dark blue cloth had a cream front, and her dark blue hat was trimmed with violets and touches of green, and she also wore a dark fur boa. Miss Fanshawe was in dark blue, trimmed with Oriental embroidery, and wore a white boa, and a white hat with red berries. Mrs Boyle wore black and white; and Miss Boyle was in light grey coloured zibeline, and a hat with touches of turquoise blue and lace, and a brown fur boa. Mrs. Purefoy's dark green cloth had a cre in front of lace, and her fur was black. Mrs. Onslow with Oriental embroidery and touches of dark green velvet embroidered with French knots; her twine-coloured lace hat had a touch of neon rose and a black feather. Mrs. M. H. Stephen wore a pale reseda green voile with a handsome Paris tinted guipure collar, with touches of pale heliotrope and black, and a black hat. Mrs. Gardiner was in dark blue flecked zibeline, and a black Carsacul coat with a sable collar, and an amber and green hat trimmed with lace and fur. Mrs. Alfred Booth was in grey with a white boa and a red hat. 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THE RACING.

The afternoon's sport opened with the Second Hurdle Race, for which four of the five on the card took the track with Rioet at the head of the quotation, only a slight margin of odds being obtainable at the rise of the barrier, while Merry Jest was next fancied by the speculative public. A few pounds were invested on Jacques, but Cudal was almost friendless. Jacques at once assumed the role of pacemaker, and with Cudal at the other end of the procession soon opened up a big gap of daylight, considering his field for more than half the journey, while Cudal was already in hopeless difficulties. Jacques and the favourite raced together until nearing the six-furlongs post, where the latter drew away, but Merry Jest caught him as they came round the bend, headed him at the distance, and easily beat him at the finish.

The Nursery Handicap brought out a field of a dozen, and when speculation opened Graft, La Valetta, The Petal, and Chamberlain were in equal demand at 4 to 1, but eventually Graft left the paddock a pronounced favourite, while Hes also had sound support. The start was delayed owing to the fractiousness of The Petal and Nimyss, the former of whom dwelt after the rise of the barrier, thus losing several lengths, while Hes, Chamberlain, and Kellner moved off in front with Grafton and Our King handy. Hes and Kellner, almost on terms, cut out the work to a merry tune to the bend, where the former took charge, and, drawing away in the run home, scored easily from the favourite and Master Correze. The winner is a shapely filly by Carbine's son, Wallace, from the Mentor mare, Moonbyung. Hitherto she had failed to get to the end of five furlongs, but on this occasion she finished the longer journey in fine style.

Grafield, Guards Van Ilt., and Isis declined to face the big timber, and only four were saddled up for the Second Steeplechase. When betting opened Brokerage had a slight call in the market from bigwet, but at the last moment the pair disputed the honours of favouritism, while Monarch was next fancied. Billy Barton and Monarch carried the field along until the treble was crossed for the first time. Then the latter drew out and flew the palings at the foot of the hill, where Billy Barton put hard and pulled resolutely with his rider. This mishap left Monarch with a commanding lead of 20 lengths from the joint favourites, and though the gap of daylight was gradually reduced he held his place until the top of the hill was reached for the second time. Here Monarch came down heavily, and horse and jockey lay unstrate for over a minute or so, and it seemed as though a bad accident had occurred; but the feelings of the spectators were relieved when both got on their legs, and Mr. Hunter proceeded to remount the son of Manoa. In the meantime Brokerage and Signet raced side by side to the fence near Kensington, after opposing which Brokerage shook off his opponent, and beat him easily at the end Monarch was remounted, and set sail after third money just as Brokerage neared the post, and the son of Manda, jumping well, passed the post amid a burst of applause, while Howard remounted Billy Barton and sent him over the fences, though the son of Honeydew did not take part in the second round.

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Hes, Chamberlain, and Kellner were smartest off the mark, while The Petal dwelt and lost several lengths. When they had settled into their strides Hes drew out half a length from Kellner, and at length intervals succeeded Chamberlain, Graft, and Our King, with The Petal at the tail of the hunt, and as they ran past the five-furlong post to the half-mile, where Kellner joined Hes, the pair were a couple of lengths from Chamberlain, who had Our King and Graft at his girths, Master Correze was a length further back, with La Valetta four lengths off at the head of the others, and O'een Mountain tailed off last. Coming round the bend Hes drew out half a length, but Kellner, who was a length and a half in advance of Chamberlain and Our King, then a length further back came Graft, with Master Correze a couple of lengths away. Hes increased her advantage to two lengths from Chamberlain and Kellner as they swept into the straight, where Our King, with Graft on the outside and Master Correze in the centre was next, and drawing out in the run home the Wallace filly won easily by three lengths from Graft, who beat Our King by half a length for second place. La Valetta was close up fourth, and three lengths in advance of Mimer and Chamberlain, after whom came Our King, The Petal and Kellner; then after a gap came Ceres Royale and Nimyss with Green Mountain last. Time, 1m. 29⅘s.

Second Steeplechase of 200 sovs. and 5 sovs. each; second 30 sovs., and third 15 sovs. About 3m.

Mr. W. Gullum's br g Brokerage, by The Broker—Hurrahage, aged, 12st 6lb (P. Regan) 1
Mr. F. J. Arm-tsong's br g Signet, by Melbourne—Signora, aged, 12st 6lb (G. Phillips) 2
Mr. L. de Groen's ch g Monarch, by Manoa—Mystery, aged, 10st 5lb (Mr. G. Hunter) 3

Other starter: Billy Manton, 9st (H. H. Howard).

Betting: 6 to 4 each v. Brokerage and Signet, 5 to 1 v. Monarch, 7 to 1 v. Billy Barton.

Billy Barton was the first to make play, but was soon joined by Monarch, and the pair crossed the logs at the old Derby corner eight lengths from Brokerage and Signet. That order was preserved over the treble, after crossing which Monarch drew out, and flew the fences in such fine style that in five lengths from Billy Barton, Signet was nearly 10 lengths further back, and five in advance of Brokerage. Billy Barton struck the palings at the foot of the hill, and parted with his rider, leaving Monarch with 10 lengths to the good from Signet and Signet, and so they passed the hill and passed Kensington. Monarch's lead was decreased to eight lengths at the logs near the old Derby corner, and so they negotiated the treble for the second time, and raced to the top of the hill, where Monarch came to grief, leaving Signet and Brokerage on terms, but the latter headed his opponent as they flew the ob-tacle at Kensington, and afterwards approached, and won easily by three lengths; while Monarch, who was remounted, just ran the distance, passed Billy Barton's boy, finished the course, and got third place. Billy Barton was also remounted, and came in at the tail of the hunt, but did not complete the full course. Time, 7m 28⅘s.

Prince of Wales Stakes of 300 sovs. and 6 sovs. each; second 75 sovs. and third 25 sovs. 1m. and 8f.

Mr. C. Platt's br g Nothos, by Grafton (imp.)—Disgrace, 5 years, 7st 9lb (T. Clayton) 1
Mr. D. L. Lewis's blk g Tatterdemalion, by Lochiel—Tatters, 4 years, 8st 9lb (P. Hounsome) 2
Mr. J. Burton's ch g Mechlin, by Albemarl—Real Lace, 4 years, 6st 6lb, including 11b over (W. Bracken) ... 3

Other starters: Fireclay, 8st 9lb (S. Callinan); Fanfare, 8st 4lb (G. Osborne); Nimyss, 8st 3lb (W. Bradshaw); Vocalist, 7st 12lb (J. O'Connor); Coree, 7st 10lb (F. Hickey); Fairy Prince, 7st 11lb, including 1lb over (A. Hood); Equator, 7st 11lb (W. H. Smith); Ether, 7st 9lb (G. Hough); Dromedary, 6st 7lb (W. M'Laughlin); Calcium, 6st 7lb (A. E. Cornwell); Milner, 6st 7lb (H. Coffey).

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From an excellent start Nothos, Calcium, and Fireclay were the first to show out, while Dromedary lost his rider as they jumped off. When fairly under way Calcium took charge, with Milner at her girths, Nothos and Fireclay were two lengths away, with Fanfare at the head of the others and Nahpreo last. Without change they turned one of the high and round to the side post, where Milner joined Calcium, the pair being two lengths in front of Fireclay, who had a ther at his girths, Tatterdemalion was two lengths further back, closely followed by Nothos and Ires, and so they raced along the back stretch to the six-furlong post, where Milner drew out a length and a half from Calcium, arte whom came Fireclay, Nothos, Tatterdemalion, Mechlin, Coree, and Fanfare, with Equator and Vocalist at the tail of a spreadeagled lot. Calcium duffed it at it as they neared the five-furlong post where Milner was a couple of lengths in front of Fireclay and Ether, with Tatterdemalion half a length away, followed by Mechlin, Nothos, and Coree. Mechlin moved up next to Milner at the half-mile post, where Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, and Nothos were close up next, and in that order they swung round the bend, but as they turned into the straight Mechlin drew up level with Milner, Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, Nothos, and Fanfare being next. Milner was showing slightly in front of Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, and Mechlin at the distance, where Nothos was at the head of the others, but Milner melted out of it at the half-distance, where Fireclay and Tatterdemalion were fighting it out just in front of Mechlin, while Nothos was coming on at a great bat and catching Tatterdemalion within half a dozen lengths of the po t beat him by a short head. Mechlin was a neck off third, with Fanfare, Milner, and Nahpreo bunched in his wake, then followed Fairy Prince, Nothos, Coree, Ether, Vocalist, and Calcium, with Equator last. Time, 2m. 24⅘s.

Easter Handicap; a handicap sweepstakes of 2 sovs. each for starters, with 100 sovs. added; second horse 20 sovs., and third 10 sovs from the prize. Lovers' weight, 8st. 1m.

Mr. H. S. Carr's b m Noble Lady, by Nobleman (imp.)—Yeopasis, 6 years, 9st 11lb (L. Kuhn) 1
Mr. W. Brown's b or br f Ceres, by Wallace—Harvest Home (imp.), 3 years, 8st 9lb (W. H. Smith) 2
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Sir Roger broke the Ring, but was quickly headed by Tam o' Shanter, who rattled past the seven-furlongs post with Antique at his girths. Danny Mann and Ceres were a similar distance away, f llowed at length intervals by Gratis, Clochette, and Sir Roger. Antique headed Tam o' Shanter as they passed the six-furlongs post, and after them on close terms came Gratis, Danny Mann, Noble Lady, and Rejoice; but at the end of the next furlong Ceres ran up to the girths of Antique, and after her side issued Danny Mann, Clochette, Gratis, Tam o' Shanter, and Noble Lady. Save that Rejoice joined the leading division after the first half of the home turn there was no change as they came past the half-mile post, and Antique swung round the bend with Noble Lady on the left. Gratis on the rails, and Clochette and Ceres in the centre, just in his wake. Ceres drew up level with Antique as they turned into the straight, closely followed by Clochette, Noble Lady, Gratis, Speculum, and Tam o' Shanter. Antique faded out of it before reaching the distance, where Noble Lady and Ceres were fighting it out, with speculum, Clochette, Gratis, Tam o' shanter, and Bombshell almost in line at their heels. But Noble Lady drew out at the half-distance and romped home with his rider. This mishap left Monarch with a commanding lead of 20 lengths from the joint favourites, and though the gap of daylight was gradually reduced he held his place until the top of the hill was reache l for the second time. Here Monarch came down heavily, and horse and jockey lay unstrate for over a minute or so, and it seemed as though a bad accident had occurred; but the feelings of the spectators were relieved when both got on their legs, and Mr. Hunter proceeded to remount the son of Manoa. In the meantime Brokerage and Signet raced side by side to the fence near Kensington, after opposing which Brokerage shook off his opponent, and beat him easily at the end Monarch was remounted, and set sail after third money just as Brokerage neared the post, and the son of Manda, jumping well, passed the post amid a burst of applause, while Howard remounted Billy Barton and sent him over the fences, though the son of Honeydew did not take part in the second round.

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Other starters: Chamberlain, 8st 6lb (J. Gough); Kellner, 8st 2lb (E. Cleal); Our King, 7st 9lb, including 5lb over (W. Bradshaw); La Valetta, 7st 4lb (F. Hickey); The Petal, 7st 3lb (F. Richardson); Mimer imp.), 7st 2lb (J. Cooper); Ceres Mountain (imp.), 6st 13lb (V. Curtis); Nimyss, 6st 10lb (G. Hough); true Royale, 6st 8lb, including 1lb over (W. Bracken).

Betting: 5 to 2 v. Graft, 4 to 1 v. La Valetta, 5 to 1 v. The Petal, 6 to 1 v. Hes, 7 to 1 v. Chamberlain, 10 to 1 v. Master Correze, 15 to 1 v. Nimyss, 20 to 1 v. others.

Hes, Chamberlain, and Kellner were smartest off the mark, while The Petal dwelt and lost several lengths. When they had settled into their strides Hes drew out half a length from Kellner, and at length intervals succeeded Chamberlain, Graft, and Our King, with The Petal at the tail of the hunt, and as they ran past the five-furlong post to the half-mile, where Kellner joined Hes, the pair were a couple of lengths from Chamberlain, who had Our King and Graft at his girths, Master Correze was a length further back, with La Valetta four lengths off at the head of the others, and O'een Mountain tailed off last. Coming round the bend Hes drew out half a length, but Kellner, who was a length and a half in advance of Chamberlain and Our King, then a length further back came Graft, with Master Correze a couple of lengths away. Hes increased her advantage to two lengths from Chamberlain and Kellner as they swept into the straight, where Our King, with Graft on the outside and Master Correze in the centre was next, and drawing out in the run home the Wallace filly won easily by three lengths from Graft, who beat Our King by half a length for second place. La Valetta was close up fourth, and three lengths in advance of Mimer and Chamberlain, after whom came Our King, The Petal and Kellner; then after a gap came Ross Royale and Nimyss with Green Mountain last. Time, 1m. 29⅘s.

Second Steeplechase of 200 sovs. and 5 sovs. each; second 30 sovs., and third 15 sovs. About 3m.

Mr. W. Gullum's br g Brokerage, by The Broker—Hurrahage, aged, 12st 6lb (P. Regan) 1
Mr. F. J. Arm-tsong's br g Signet, by Melbourne—Signora, aged, 12st 6lb (G. Phillips) 2
Mr. L. de Groen's ch g Monarch, by Manoa—Mystery, aged, 10st 5lb (Mr. G. Hunter) 3

Other starter: Billy Manton, 9st (H. H. Howard).

Betting: 6 to 4 each v. Brokerage and Signet, 5 to 1 v. Monarch, 7 to 1 v. Billy Barton.

Billy Barton was the first to make play, but was soon joined by Monarch, and the pair crossed the logs at the old Derby corner eight lengths from Brokerage and Signet. That order was preserved over the treble, after crossing which Monarch drew out, and flew the fences in such fine style that in five lengths from Billy Barton, Signet was nearly 10 lengths further back, and five in advance of Brokerage. Billy Barton struck the palings at the foot of the hill, and parted with his rider, leaving Monarch with 10 lengths to the good from Signet and Signet, and so they passed the hill and passed Kensington. Monarch's lead was decreased to eight lengths at the logs near the old Derby corner, and so they negotiated the treble for the second time, and raced to the top of the hill, where Monarch came to grief, leaving Signet and Brokerage on terms, but the latter headed his opponent as they flew the ob-tacle at Kensington, and afterwards approached, and won easily by three lengths; while Monarch, who was remounted, just ran the distance, passed Billy Barton's boy, finished the course, and got third place. Billy Barton was also remounted, and came in at the tail of the hunt, but did not complete the full course. Time, 7m 28⅘s.

Prince of Wales Stakes of 300 sovs. and 6 sovs. each; second 75 sovs. and third 25 sovs. 1m. and 8f.

Mr. C. Platt's br g Nothos, by Grafton (imp.)—Disgrace, 5 years, 7st 9lb (T. Clayton) 1
Mr. D. L. Lewis's blk g Tatterdemalion, by Lochiel—Tatters, 4 years, 8st 9lb (P. Hounsome) 2
Mr. J. Burton's ch g Mechlin, by Albemarl—Real Lace, 4 years, 6st 6lb, including 11b over (W. Bracken) ... 3

Other starters: Fireclay, 8st 9lb (S. Callinan); Fanfare, 8st 4lb (G. Osborne); Nimyss, 8st 3lb (W. Bradshaw); Vocalist, 7st 12lb (J. O'Connor); Coree, 7st 10lb (F. Hickey); Fairy Prince, 7st 11lb, including 1lb over (A. Hood); Equator, 7st 11lb (W. H. Smith); Ether, 7st 9lb (G. Hough); Dromedary, 6st 7lb (W. M'Laughlin); Calcium, 6st 7lb (A. E. Cornwell); Milner, 6st 7lb (H. Coffey).

Betting: 5 to 2 v. Tatterdemalion, 5 to 1 v. Fanfare, 6 to 1 v. Vocalist, 7 to 1 v. Nothos, 8 to 1 each v. Fireclay and Coree, 10 to 1 each v. Milner and Fairy Prince, 15 to 1 each v. Nahpreo and Mechlin.

From an excellent start Nothos, Calcium, and Fireclay were the first to show out, while Dromedary lost his rider as they jumped off. When fairly under way Calcium took charge, with Milner at her girths, Nothos and Fireclay were two lengths away, with Fanfare at the head of the others and Nahpreo last. Without change they turned one of the high and round to the side post, where Milner joined Calcium, the pair being two lengths in front of Fireclay, who had a ther at his girths, Tatterdemalion was two lengths further back, closely followed by Nothos and Ires, and so they raced along the back stretch to the six-furlongs post, where Milner drew out a length and a half from Calcium, arte whom came Fireclay, Nothos, Tatterdemalion, Mechlin, Coree, and Fanfare, with Equator and Vocalist at the tail of a spreadeagled lot. Calcium duffed it at it as they neared the five-furlong post where Milner was a couple of lengths in front of Fireclay and Ether, with Tatterdemalion half a length away, followed by Mechlin, Nothos, and Coree. Mechlin moved up next to Milner at the half-mile post, where Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, and Nothos were close up next, and in that order they swung round the bend, but as they turned into the straight Mechlin drew up level with Milner, Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, Nothos, and Fanfare being next. Milner was showing slightly in front of Fireclay, Tatterdemalion, and Mechlin at the distance, where Nothos was at the head of the others, but Milner melted out of it at the half-distance, where Fireclay and Tatterdemalion were fighting it out just in front of Mechlin, while Nothos was coming on at a great bat and catching Tatterdemalion within half a dozen lengths of the po t beat him by a short head. Mechlin was a neck off third, with Fanfare, Milner, and Nahpreo bunched in his wake, then followed Fairy Prince, Nothos, Coree, Ether, Vocalist, and Calcium, with Equator last. Time, 2m. 24⅘s.

Easter Handicap; a handicap sweepstakes of 2 sovs. each for starters, with 100 sovs. added; second horse 20 sovs., and third 10 sovs from the prize. Lovers' weight, 8st. 1m.

Mr. H. S. Carr's b m Noble Lady, by Nobleman (imp.)—Yeopasis, 6 years, 9st 11lb (L. Kuhn) 1
Mr. W. Brown's b or br f Ceres, by Wallace Harvest Home (imp.), 3 years, 8st 9lb

THE WINGS OF THE MORNING.

AN ISLAND ROMANCE.

BY LOUIS TRACY.

CHAPTER XI.
THE FIGHT.

The sailor knew so accurately the position of his reliable sentinels that he could follow each phase of the imaginary conflict on the other side of the island. The first outbreak of desultory firing died away amidst a chorus of protest from every feathered inhabitant of the isle, so Jenks assumed that the Dyaks had gathered again on the beach after riddling the scarecrows with bullets or slashing them with their heavy razor-edged parangs. Malay swords with which experts can fell a stout sapling at a single blow.

A hasty council was probably held, and, notwithstanding their fear of the silent company in the hollow, an advance was ultimately made along the beach. Within a few yards they encountered the invisible cord of the third spring gun. There was a report, and another fierce outbreak of musketry. This was enough. Not a man would move a step nearer that abode of the dead. The next commotion arose on the ridge near the North Cape.

"At this rate of progress," said Jenks to the girl, "they will not reach our home until daylight."

"I almost wish they were here," was the quiet reply. "I find this waiting and listening trying to the nerves."

They were lying on a number of ragged garments hastily spread on the ledge, and peering intently into the moonlit area of Prospect Park. The great rock itself was shrouded in sombre shadows. Even if they stood up none could see them from the ground, so dense was the darkness enveloping them.

He turned slightly and took her hand. It was cool and moist. It no more trembled than his own.

"The Dyaks are far more scared than you," he murmured with a laugh. "Cruel and courageous as they are, they dare not face a spook."

"Then what a pity it is we cannot conjure up a ghost for their benefit! All the spirits I have ever read about were ridiculous. Why cannot one be useful occasionally?"

The question set him thinking. Unknown to the girl, the materials for a dramatic apparition were hidden amidst the bushes near the well. He nudged his brains to remember the stage effects of juvenile days; but these needed limelight, blue flares, mirrors, phosphorus.

The absurdity of hoping to devise any such accessories whilst perched on a ledge in a remote island—a larger reef of the thousands in the China Sea—tickled him.

What is it?" asked Iris.

He repeated his list of missing stage properties. They had nothing to do but to wait, and people in the very crux of incelstom of existence usually discuss trivial things.

"I don't know anything about phosphorus," said the girl, "but you can obtain queer results from sulphur, and there is an old box of Norwegian matches resting at this moment on the shelf in my room. Don't you remember? They were in your pocket, and you were going to throw them away. Why, what are you doing?"

For Jenks had cast the rope ladder loose and was evidently about to descend.

"Have no fear," he said; "I will not be away five minutes."

"If you are going down I must come with you. I will not be left here alone."

"Please do not stop me," he whispered earnestly. "You must not come. I will take no risk whatever. If you remain here you can warn me instantly. With both of us on the ground we shall incur real danger. I want you to keep a sharp look out towards Turtle Beach in case the Dyaks come that way. Those who are crossing the island will not reach us for a long time."

She yielded, though unwillingly. She was tremulous with anxiety on his account.

He vanished without another word. She next saw him in the moonlight near the well. He was rustling among the bushes, and he returned to the rock with something white in his arms, which he seemingly deposited at the mouth of the cave. He went back to the well and carried another similar burthen. Then he ran towards the house. The doorway was not visible from the ledge, and she passed a few horrible moments until a low hiss beneath caught her ear. She could tell by the creak of the rope ladder that he was ascending. At last he reached her side, and she murmured with a gasping sob—

"Don't go away again. I cannot stand it."

He though it best to soothe her agitation by arousing her interest. Still hauling in the ladder with one hand, he held out the other, on which luminous wisps were writhing like glow-worms' ghosts.

"You are responsible," he said. "You gave me an excellent idea, and I was obliged to carry it out."

"What have you done?"

"Arranged a fearsome bogey in the cave."

"But how?"

"It was not exactly a pleasant operation, but the only laws of necessity are those which must be broken."

She understood that he did not wish her to question him further. Perhaps curiosity, now that he was safe, might have vanquished her terror, and led to another demand for enlightenment, but at that instant the sound of an angry voice and the crunching of coral away to the left drove all else from her mind.

"They are coming by way of the beach, after all," whispered Jenks.

He was mistaken in a sense. Another outburst of intermittent firing among the trees on the north of the ridge showed that some, at least, of the Dyaks were advancing by their former route. The appearance of the Dyak chief on the flat belt of shingle, with his right arm slung across his breast, accompanied by not more than half a dozen followers, showed that a few hardy spirits had dared to pass the Valley of Death with all its nameless terrors.

They advanced cautiously enough, as though dreading a surprise. The chief carried a bright parang in his left hand; the others were armed with guns, their swords being thrust through belts. Creeping forward on tiptoe, though their distant companions were making a tremendous row, they looked a murderous gang as they peered across the open space, now brilliantly illuminated by the moon.

Jenks had a sudden intuition that the right thing to do now was to shoot the whole party. He dismissed the thought at once. All his preparations were governed by the hope that the pirates might abandon their quest after hours of fruitless search. It would be most unwise he told himself, to precipitate hostilities. Far better avoid a conflict altogether, if that were possible, than risk the immediate discovery of his inaccessible retreat.

In other words he made a grave mistake, which shows how a man may err when over-agonised by the danger of the woman he loves. The bold course was the right one. By killing the Dyak leader he would have deprived the enemy of the dominating influence in this campaign of revenge. When the main body, already much perturbed by the unseen and intangible agencies which opened fire at them in the wood, arrived in Prospect Park to find only the dead bodies of their chief and his small force, their consternation could be turned into mad panic by a vigorous bombardment from the rock.

Probably, in less than an hour after their landing, the whole tribe would have rushed pell-mell to the boats, cursing the folly which led them to this devil-haunted island. But it serves no good purpose to say what might have been. As it was, the Dyaks, silent now and moving with the utmost caution, passed the well, and were about to approach the cave, when one of them saw the house.

Instantly they changed their tactics. Retreating hastily to the shade of the opposite cliff, they seemed to await the coming of reinforcements. The sailor fancied that a messenger was despatched by the way of the north sands to hurry up the laggards, because the distant firing slackened, and, five minutes later, a fierce outbreak of yells among the trees to the right heralded a combined rush on Belle Vue Castle.

The noise made by the savages was so great—the screams of bewildered birds circling overhead so incessant—that Jenks was compelled to speak quite loudly when he said to Iris—

"They must think we sleep soundly not to be disturbed by the volleys they have fired already."

She would have answered, but he placed a restraining hand on her shoulder, for the Dyaks, quickly discovering that the hut was empty, ran towards the cave and thus came in full view.

As well as Jenks could judge, the foremost trio of the yelping horde were impaled on the bayonets of the cheval de frise, learning too late its formidable nature. The wounded men shrieked in agony, but their cries were drowned in a torrent of amazed shouts from their companions. Forthwith there was a stampede towards the well, the cliff, the beaches, anywhere to get away from that awesome cavern where ghosts dwelt and men fell maimed at the very threshold. The sailor, leaning as far over the edge of the rock as the girl's exostulations would permit, heard a couple of men groaning beneath, whilst a third limped away with frantic and painful haste.

"What is it?" whispered Iris, eager herself to witness the tumult. "What has happened?"

"They have been routed by a box of matches and a few dried bones," he answered.

There was no time for further speech. He was absorbed in estimating the probable number of the Dyaks. Thus far he had seen about fifty. Moreover, he did not wish to acquaint Iris with the actual details of the artifice that had been so potent. Her allusion to the box of water-sodden tandstickers gave him the notion of utilising as an active ally the bleached remains of the poor fellow who had long ago fallen a victim to this identical mob of cut-throats or their associates. He gathered the principal bones from their resting-place near the well, rubbed them with the ends of the matches after damping the sulphur again, and arranged them with ghastly effect on the piles of rubbish at the further end of the cave, creeping under the cheval de frise for the purpose.

(To be continued).

INQUESTS.

FOUND DROWNED.

The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) held an inquiry yesterday into the circumstances connected with the death of a widow named Frances Maud Hynes, 38, lately residing at Double Bay. About 12.30 a.m. on Sunday deceased was seen speaking to a cabman at the Ocean-street tram terminus about the payment of a fare. She shortly afterwards walked away in the direction of Swan-street, Double Bay. About an hour later Sergeant Holmes found her hat and cloak on the extreme edge of the Double Bay jetty. He went for assistance and the body was subsequently discovered floating near the jetty. It was taken to the North Morgue. The Coroner entered a finding of suicide

DEATH FROM BURNS.

An inquiry was held by the City Coroner yesterday respecting the death of Peter McCoy, aged 12 months, lately residing with his parents at Little Stuart-street, Paddington. Between 10.30 p.m. and 11 p.m on the 6th instant his mother was giving him a drink, and was holding a lighted candle in her hand. About 1 a.m. next morning her husband came into the room and found deceased lying on the floor with his clothes on fire. The bedclothes were also on fire. A small piece of candle and a candlestick were lying under the bed. The child was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, but died about an hour after admission. A finding of accidental death was recorded.

POLICE COURTS.

ASSAULTING A SHIP'S OFFICER.

At the Police Court yesterday, before Mr. L. S. Donaldson, R.M., John Rasmusker, a sailor on board the sailing ship Rienda, was charged with having assaulted John Stewart, the chief mate of the vessel. The evidence went to show that on Saturday night prosecutor and the second mate went on board while a disturbance was going on. They went up to see what was the cause of it, during which the accused struck the first mate, who in self-defence retaliated. Accused then seized a belaying pin and struck the officer a heavy blow with it on the arm. A sentence of eight weeks' imprisonment was imposed.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Tuesday, June 9.

Special Case.—Rex v. Digby Grand and Henry Jones (part heard).

The Full Court will sit as of the second Term on Tuesday, the 9th day of June instant, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to hear the part-heard case of Rex v. Digby Grand and Henry Jones.

Causes List (Banco Court, St. James'-road).—At 2 p.m.: Mountain v. Smith (part heard).

Notice.—The jurors summoned to attend the Banco Court for Tuesday, the 9th instant, need not attend until Wednesday, the 10th instant. The jurors engaged in the above part-heard case are requested to attend at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, the 9th instant.

No. 2 Jury Court, King street.—Raymond v. Smith, Calvert v. Duff and another, Master v. M'Phillamy.

Notice.—The jurors engaged in the case of Ryan v. Walker in No. 2 Jury Court on Friday, the 5th instant, and who were told to attend at 10 o'clock on Tuesday, the 9th instant, will not be further required.

In Vice-Admiralty.—Before the Deputy Judge Commissary (No. 1 Jury Court).—At 10 a.m.: Hurstwaite v. the Port Jackson Steamship Company, Limited.

Before the Prothonotary.—Liebman v. Connor, 11; Wilson v. Mott, 11.30.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Vale v. Lawson, 10.30; Green v. Green, 11.

Prothonotary's Office.—It is hereby intimated that during the present week all non-contentious matters in Chambers will be taken by the Acting Chief Justice, and all contentious matters in Public Chambers will be taken by Mr. Justice Pring.

In Equity.—before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: M'Glede v. Eaton (part heard.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Company and lunacy matters. At 12 noon: Zebley v. Dunlop, to settle minutes of decree. At 12.15 p.m.: Minister for Works and Smidmore, to approve of investment. At 2 p.m.: Robinson v. Robinson, to settle minutes of decree. At 2.30 p.m.: Connolly v. Connolly, to settle minutes of decree. At 2.45 p.m.: Kropp v. Peake, to settle minutes of order. At 3 p.m.: Re A. T. Jones and Conveyancing Act, to settle minutes of order. At 3.15 p.m.: Wark v. Wark, to settle minutes of decree. By Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Goddard v. Cole, to tax costs (all day appointment). Before the Chief Clerk in Equity. At 11 a.m.: Re Hughes' infants, to tax costs; same, to settle draft certificate; same, to tax costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy Registrar (to pass accounts.—Hugh Boyd, 10; John Geilatly, 10.30; John W. F. Bell, 10.45; William S. West, 11; James Hogg, 2.15; Heathcote Dew, 2.30.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce, in No. 2 Jury Court.—At 2: Lamb v. Lamb (part heard), and hearing of causes.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—11 a.m.—Ex parte application: John Trute, Daniel Cornelius, Rebecca Dunn, Fanny Watson, Nathaniel Powell Campbell, ralph Cottam, the Wm Georg Marsden. Motion for release. Hearing of creditor's petition: Andrew M'Lachlan v. Margaret Flynn. Motion section 81: Robert Alfred Shoulder, in Jack Ayoub. Single meeting: John Baptiste Bassetti, the same. Before the Chief Clerk in Bankruptcy, at 10.30 a.m.: Re J. W. G. Fieldhouse, taxation of debtor's costs.

COURT OF REVIEW.—Tuesday, June 9.

(Before his Honor Judge Murray in No. 2 Court at 10 a.m.)
Appeals against land tax assessments: Swyny and another, trustees for Isabella Swyny, Sidney Wilcox, Adam J. Wilson, Agnes Withers, William F. Yeager, Annie Armstrong Brothers, John Brewer, Matthew J. Harris, Matthew Harris, Llewellyn C. E. Jones.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.—Tuesday, June 9.

No. 4 Court, Supreme Courthouse, King-street, Sydney. (Before the President and Messrs. Rigby and Wilkinson).

At 10 a.m.: Re Confectioners' award and the application of the claimant union for directions in respect of the said award; re Decorators' award and the application of the claimant union to enforce the said award against Michael Cruise, summons for penalty; same v. John Kelly, summons for penalty; re Undertakers' award and the application of the claimant union to enforce the said award against Arthur Charles Jackson, No. 6, trading as Wood and Company, summons for penalty.

DISTRICT COURT.—Tuesday, June 9.

(Before his Honor Judge Backhouse at 10 a.m.)
Motion: Johnson v. Fynn, jury issue: Beaumont v. Chalow. Before the Deputy Registrar: Brodie etc. Bradley, 10.30; Lealsley v. Corston, 10.55.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.—Tuesday, June 9.
Julius Napoleon Larsen; William Bailey, stealing a pig.

THE NORTH SHORE BRIDGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your issue of May 8 last you were good enough to publish certain details obtained from an official source explaining the cause of delay in selecting the two best designs for this bridge, and I think that the Advisory Board should now make a further statement of progress. In your reported interview with Mr. J. Davis, the Under-Secretary for Public Works, he stated that, so far as the American design was concerned, the board was awaiting certain information regarding the foundation it is proposed to put in to support the principal pier in the deep water opposite Blue's Point, particulars of which were expected by the then next American mail. The required information must have come to hand ere this, as two mails from America have reached Sydney since the interview referred to. Perhaps the Advisory Board will see their way to enlighten the public as to the kind of pier foundation proposed for the American bridge. In regard to Arroll and Co.'s design Mr. Davis is reported to have stated that certain bracing had been omitted from the superstructure, and that the Agent-General had been asked to communicate by cable to the person why the designers omitted the bracing and the cost of including it. I presume the board are now in receipt of this cable; if so, it should be made public. Assuming that the advices are to hand from America as to the American bridge, and the Agent-General has cabled with reference to Arroll's bridge, there is no reason for further delaying the awarding of the prizes to the two best designs in terms of the competitive conditions. I am, &c., NORTH SYDNEY.

June 6.

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AMERICAN MAIL NEWS.

By the R.M.S. Sonoma, which arrived from San Francisco on Sunday, we received files of American newspapers to May 15. We make the following extracts:—

TURTLE MOUNTAIN DISASTER.

A MINE CALAMITY.

A telegram sent from Vancouver, British Columbia, on April 29, to the San Francisco "Chronicle," says: This has been a day of horror and terror in the little mining town of Frank, in South-western Alberta. At 4.20 o'clock this morning an explosion of gas in the Frank colliery burst out the side of Turtle Mountain and hundreds and hundreds of tons of rock crashed down upon the mining camp on the mountain side, bringing instant death to sleeping men, women, and children, and shattering the houses over their heads, crushing the life out of all who were not under cover and piling broken rock yards deep about the entrance of the mine. The list of dead at last reports amounted to 56. Chaos reigned. In the confusion none knew what had caused the catastrophe, many thinking it was an earthquake or a volcano while terror-stricken men ran hither and thither in a frantic effort to do they knew not what. No certain knowledge could be gained who were killed and who were only not to be found at the moment. Then to this little community, amazed by the sudden calamity and numbered by the many deaths in its households a new terror presented itself. The Old Man's River, which flows through the centre of the town, dammed up with fallen rock to a height of nearly 100ft., threatened to overwhelm the shattered village and sweep away every vestige of it. For miles up its course the waters of the river were piling up, and down upon this impromptu dam, the only protection for the town, the weight of all its waters pressed. The valley above was all flooded. The town seemed doomed. The dam could not hold, and the only hope was that the river should find a new channel. Seeing this, the inhabitants of Frank started in to create a new bed through which the banked up waters of the river might flow and the town be saved. They will work all night, and it seems now that their efforts will be successful and the river will be running in the new channel before morning. The disaster was not confined to the vicinity of the mine alone, for many of the dwelling-houses in the town of Frank were demolished by the falling rock. Some of the occupants of these houses escaped death, but many others were instantly killed. The disaster was merciful to those men who were employed above ground, in that they must have been killed instantly. Most of the men imprisoned in the mine, whose death at first seemed certain, got out alive late this afternoon. There were 17 men in the mine. Two died of suffocation, but the other 15 worked their way out. The rescuing party above ground despaired of saving the entombed miners, for the entrance was blocked by immense piles of broken rocks. The miners within, however, found an exit where there was less rock, and after cutting their way through 50ft. of debris, all but two emerged from the mine uninjured. From the description of those survivors who were nearest the scene of disaster, it seems that the earth opened up for three-quarters of a mile in length and many feet in width, and that the whole northern face of Turtle Mountain slipped from its place. The shock resultant upon the precipitation of the millions of tons of rock into the valley, while only actually demolishing a comparatively few of the houses, so shook the foundations of the majority of the dwellings in the town that they are unsafe to live in, and many hundreds of people will have to live in the open or under such temporary shelter as may be procurable before nightfall. The railroad track, for a distance of two miles or more east of the station is covered with from 10ft. to 40ft. of rock, and the telegraph wires to the east are down. Later advices state that 64 persons were killed.

TRAIN PLOUGHS THROUGH A PICNIC PARTY.

A telegram from Detroit on May 3 published in the San Francisco "Chronicle" says:—"A day of merry-making and celebration by 1500 Polish excursionists from Toledo was brought to a close by a frightful catastrophe at the corner of Canfield and Dequindre streets at 8.30 o'clock to-night, in which at least seven of the excursionists were killed and a large number injured. The excursion was given by the Polish Lancers of Toledo over the Lake Shore Railroad. The excursionists left the train at the corner of Canfield and Dequindre streets this morning and were greeted by a number of local Poles and Polish societies who escorted the visitors to St. Joseph's Church. An entertainment was held later at Harmonia Hall. About 8 o'clock the visitors began to gather again at the corner of Canfield and Dequindre streets to take their train back to Toledo. Both the Lake Shore and Grand Trunk tracks run out from the Brush-street station on Dequindre-street. Four policemen stood at the corner of Canfield-street and endeavoured to keep the excursionists from crowding through the gates on to the track. Despite their efforts many got past the gates and were waiting on the tracks when the special arrived and stopped at the crossing. There was a rush for the car platforms and the people crowded in from both sides of the train. The Grand Trunk track is only a few feet to the west of the Lake Shore rails, and it was crowded with excursionists, who were boarding their train on that side. Suddenly from out of the darkness came the Grand Trunk Chicago and New York express, known as the Pan-American flyer. It ploughed through the mass of people, throwing them to both sides of the track, bruised and maimed, and grinding a number of them under the wheels. The flyer was checked and stopped as quickly as possible, and backed to the scene of the catastrophe, where for two blocks the track was covered with mangled and dying people. Four of the victims were killed outright by the train, and others died after being taken to hospitals. The tracks were very dark below Canfield-street, and lanterns had to be brought into use to find the victims. A cry for vengeance went up from the Polish residents, and realised what slaughter the Grand Trunk train had done. A demonstration was started against the engineer of the flyer. Some one shouted, "Get the engineer; kill him!" and a rush was made for the cab of the engine. The police had foreseen this, however, and an officer guarded each door of the cab. The angry Poles stood about and uttered threats until the flyer resumed its trip into the station.

RIOT IN A CHURCH BUILDING.

A telegram from Joliet, Illinois, on May 3, published in the San Francisco "Chronicle," says:—A contest between factions of the Slavonic Roman Catholic Church for control led to a free fight inside the church building, and then developed into a bloody riot. The immediate cause of the trouble to-day is not clear, but it was started by several women as the collectors were circulating through the church. Women and men to-day fought hand to hand with each other, and then fought hand in hand against the police. There were 2000 men, women, and children in the church when the fight began. In spite of the protests of Father Kollar and others the Church members fought with fists and pieces of furniture, knocking each other right and left. Some one ran from the church and called on the police for help. In a few minutes a patrol waggon full of policemen drove up to the church, and the patrolmen entered the edifice, which was filled with the utmost confusion. Bloody noses and lacerated faces were numerous. The men had been penned in by a cordon of angry women, who belaboured the unfortunates with clenched fists and books. By the time the police arrived some of the combatants had fled to the street. As the policemen entered the church those on the outside returned to the fight, armed with clubs, stones, and revolvers. Those within ceased fighting with each other and all united in an attack on the police. Those who came in off the street fired into the patrolmen from the rear. Women and children cried out in terror at the sight, and many men ran from the church or leaped out of windows. Then the policemen began to make arrests. Of all the persons injured none were taken to a hospital. Father Kollar, who entered into the midst of the fighting in an effort to calm his parishioners, escaped uninjured. Many arrests were made during the day, but the exact cause of the fight in the church building is still unexplained.

LINERS CRASH IN A FOG.

A STEAMER'S STERN CUT OFF.

A telegram from Norfolk (Va.), on May 5, published in the S. F. "Chronicle," says:—A collision at sea that cost the lives of 20 or more people and the sinking of the Clyde steamship Saginaw by the Old Dominion steamship Hamilton occurred between Winter Quarter lightship and Fenwick Island lightship, on the Virginia coast, at 4.40 o'clock this morning. The Hamilton left New York yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock for Norfolk, and the Saginaw passed out the Virginia Capes last night at 9 o'clock, bound from Norfolk and Richmond for Philadelphia. A dense fog settled down along the shore shortly after nightfall, and while going through this fog at reduced speed the Hamilton crashed into the Saginaw's side about 20ft. from the stern. The scene of the collision is about 13 or 14 miles off the shore, and between 180 and 200 miles south of New York, and between 125 and 140 miles north of Norfolk. The fog whistles of both vessels were distinctly heard by each other for several minutes before the collision occurred. According to Captain Bear of the Hamilton, his ship was making about nine miles an hour, and the Saginaw about 10. The fog was so thick that objects a ship's length away were invisible, and when the two craft bore in sight of each other, how on, there was but a moment's interim before they met. The Saginaw veered, as did the Hamilton, but they had not time to clear each other, and the knife-like prow of the southern-bound vessel struck the Clyde ship on the port quarter, about 20ft. from her stern, cutting the entire rear of the ship away. The inrushing water caused the Saginaw to settle rapidly at the stern, and the impetus of the Hamilton took her out of sight of the crippled vessel. The engines already reversed were put full steam astern, and the Hamilton circled to the scene of the wreck, at the same time lowering two lifeboats. There was consternation among the passengers of the Old Dominion ship, and the first thought was for their safety, but so soon as it was discovered that the ship was manjured, save that some bow plates were shove in, all efforts were directed to the rescue of those on the Saginaw. When the Saginaw was again sighted her stern was under water and her bow was high in the air. Panic-stricken people rushed over her decks and scrambled towards the bow. Lifeboats were lowered, and into the first 15 coloured women were placed, according to Second-officer W. L. Morris, who was in command. The boat was swamped as it struck the water, and its occupants were thrown into the sea. All were drowned save the second officer and the coloured stewardess. The latter died before the small boat reached the Hamilton, more from injuries received by the impact of the collision than by drowning. She had been held up by First-mate Goslee, who sank as the small boat from the Hamilton reached them. In the meantime the rush of waters into the stern of the Saginaw had caused the decks to burst from their fastenings with a roar like the report of a big gun, and tons of freight of all descriptions soon littered the sea. To floating wreckage the struggling people in the water clung with desperation, and many of them were rescued by the boats from the Hamilton. Before the lifeboats of the Hamilton had reached the Saginaw the latter had disappeared beneath the waves, and nothing but her topmasts were visible. To these several men were clinging, one of whom was the aged captain, J. S. Tunnell. When he was taken off it was found that he had suffered severe internal injuries. The Hamilton hovered around the scene of the wreck for more than an hour, but no sign of life could be seen among the mass of floating freight. Two bodies, one that of a man and the other that of a woman, clad only in nightdresses, were observed drifting between bales of cotton and cases of goods. The first news of the disaster was learned at Old Point, where the Hamilton stopped for a moment on her way to Norfolk. She arrived at her pier in this city about 2 o'clock this afternoon. Her bow plates were stove in, and much wreckage still clung to her. All of the damage, however, was above the water-line. The survivors of the Saginaw on board the Hamilton had been given clothing by the passengers and seamen of the more fortunate vessel, and a collection was taken up among the passengers to be distributed among them. The passengers and most of the crew of both ships were asleep below when the disaster happened, and when the terrible shock and grinding noise awakened them a panic-stricken rush for safety took place.

GIRLS' STAG PARTY WITH MEN'S ATTIRE.

A telegram from Butte (Mont.) on May 1 says:—Butte society was shocked and others amazed tonight by an innovation introduced into society by 12 of the leading young ladies of Butte who gave a female stag party, the 12 ladies being attired in gentlemen's complete evening dress. They rode from their homes to the party in carriages, and made such swell appearances that no one realised they were not young men. After the party, however, some of them weakened and refused to return home for fear they should be seen, and the affair became public. The party was given by Miss Hattie Young, one of the most prominent society girls in Butte, in honour of Miss Emily Whitney, of Helena. The souvenirs of the party were China dolls dressed in men's evening clothes.

FOUND SPOOKS BAD ADVISERS.

The London Court of Chancery, on May 13, set aside the deed by which Henry H. S. Cavendish turned over the bulk of his property to Major C. H. Strutt, an officer of the British army (says a telegram in the "San Francisco Chronicle"). Cavendish brought a suit against Strutt to recover possession of the property on the ground that the officer had gained control of it through spiritualistic devices, etc. The plaintiff is a young African explorer. He spent nearly 1,000,000dol. on four years, largely in theatrical ventures and in buying jewellery for actresses. A year ago last April he married Isabel Jay, the leading lady of the Savoy Theatre. After spending a great deal of money in explorations and in the other ways referred to, Cavendish turned over the remainder of his property, amounting to some 200,000dol., by settlement to the defendant Strutt to administer in trust for him. The evidence showed that Cavendish had been induced to believe by tablerappings, slate-writings, and other devices that he was in communication with the spirit of his dead mother, who spoke to him. Cavendish testified during the trial that Major and Mrs. Strutt carried on spiritualistic seances daily only stopping long enough for meals. "We," said the plaintiff, "had communications from angels and archangels. All sorts of messages came from them—prayers, poetry, and stories of processions in heaven. Sometimes the angels made reference to our business matters. Their advice always coincided with that of Mrs. Strutt." The Judge, in rendering the decision, held that the plaintiff had not been fairly advised in regard to the full meaning of the settlement with Strutt, which he accordingly set aside.

RAILWAY—GRAFTON TO SYDNEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The proposal now before the Committee of Public Works to connect Grafton and the northern rivers with Sydney by a new line of railway, 350 miles in length, involves an expenditure so huge—£5,000,000—that it appears to be the duty of every man having any special knowledge of this northern railway question to give the public the benefit of that knowledge. In this regard I will ask some space in your paper.

For more than 20 years the people of Grafton and the North Coast districts have been crying out for a connection with the tableland and the western interior. Throughout the contest, which was bitterly carried on, the people of Grafton cried out for the Grafton via Newton Boyd to Glen Innes line, and when that from South Grafton via Don Dorrigo to Guyra was proposed they would have none of it. They then threatened, or tried to, "wire their ultimatum—with the result that to day they have none.

A little while ago the mayor of one of the towns on the Clarence admitted that the Newton Boyd line must be given up. Had this admission been made 10 years ago they would probably have had the Dorrigo line long since. If the inland connection was so necessary then, surely it is equally so now. How then can this one to Maitland serve them in this respect? Not at all. The deciding upon the question before them it would be well for the committee to consider this inland connection, and whether the one line cannot be made to serve the purpose of both the connection with Sydney and with the Clarence for some time. I propose to suggest that not only can this be done, but the substantial requirements of the greatest and most important part of the North Coast be served as well.

Let there first run Grafton to Maitland over and then complete it, with the Dorrigo proposal. The distance Grafton to Maitland is given. I think, at 300 miles, and the cost £5,000,000. Add to this distance 122 miles, Mait and to Sydney, and we have a total of 422 miles, with not tableland exception. Although there is along the route a considerable quantity of very superior land on the banks of the various rivers, I do not think anyone having travelled over the whole length will deny that, on the whole, the second-class and inferior land predominates. The land from which traffic and produce is to be expected is comprised in a comparatively narrow strip between the sea and the precipitous mountain ranges which bound the inland tableland throughout. West of this strip of country no traffic or produce can be expected. The engineering obstacles are by no means small or expensive. Rivers such as the Hunter, Williams, Manning, Hastings, Macleay, Murray, and the Bellinger (north and south arms) are not to be bridged for a trifle, without considering the numerous minor streams. The ordinary engineering difficulties of grades, &c., are not absent. Now as to the merits of the Dorrigo line. In the year 1890 two officers of the Public Works Department (Messrs. Scarr and Price) were despatched to take their instructions ran: Inquire as to—First, the best way of connecting the Inverell with the Great Northern railway; and secondly, "the best means of connecting the Great Northern railway with the proposed coast line." After an exhaustive examination and inquiry of the three places—Guyra via Don Dorrigo to South Grafton; Tenterfield to Casino and Grafton via Newton Boyd to Glen Innes—these officers reported decisively in favour of the first named. For concise description of the country traversed by this line I may quote a few paragraphs from their report. "Taking the whole length from Guyra to South Grafton, a distance of 140 to 150 miles, a remarkable stretch of country is passed over, for with the exception of the space of seven miles west of Dan Fawcett and the length of 12 miles west of Glen Raugh there is no part which does not present large areas fit for cultivation. The greater part is of the most fertile nature, with a temperature ranging from the rigorous climate of New Zealand 1400ft. above the sea, to the semi-tropical one of the northern seacoast. And it is probable that in no part of New South Wales is there a finer stretch of rich inland of equal extent so easily brought into use by no barren intervals as this." It may to this be added that the greater part of the land is either still in the hands of the Crown or those of the Crown alienees or tenants in small areas. Their report as to the engineering question, so far as it had then been investigated—the surveys not being then completed—was equally favourable. "Nowhere," they say, "are any large bridges required, and few culverts." Some difficulties were afterwards met with in the ascent from the coast levels to the Don Dorrigo, but of 1 on. 80 chains only are of 1 in 20, and these are not continuous in the later surveys. These officers then go on in their report to enumerate the advantage of the line, and among them is:—"It will afford a direct connection between the coastal districts of the Macleay and Bellinger, as well as the line further north, with New England and the West." As to distances. From Grafton via Dorrigo to Guyra is about 150 miles, thence to Sydney 385 miles: total, 535 miles, against 422 by the proposed coastal route —a difference of 65 miles. To set against this the people on the coast would have their long desired connection with the interior, and the interchange of products so highly argued for could then commence. It would appear that by adopting the through coastal proposal we shall have a long length of line to be fed from a narrow strip of country, the construction being very costly, and the time required to complete it several years—not less than seven or eight—years, with no connection with a country which would help materially to feed it. By the adoption of the Don Dorrigo line the construction of 150 miles (against 500) would give access to Sydney and at the same time with the interior, the cost be probably one seventh, and the time of completion proportionate. The proposal to make the connection of this Don Dorrigo line with the Great Northern railway at Armidale instead of Guyra would shorten the distance Grafton to Sydney by probably 35 miles, and thus do away very considerably with the disadvantage of additional length. It may be said that the adoption of the Don Dorrigo route would leave the coast south of Coff's Harbour unserved by rail. To meet this objection a coastal line might be run at comparatively small cost from the Dorrigo line at Coff's Harbour to Kempsey, a distance of say 60 miles. This would serve the more important part of the northern littoral, and meet all requirements for many years, but still form part of the through coastal line, to be completed at some future day if considered desirable.

Shortly then, my suggestion is to construct the proposed coastal line from Grafton to Kempsey, say 110 to 115 miles, and the Dorrigo line branching from it at Coff's Harbour to the Great Northern railway at Guyra, about 100 miles—total 200 to 215 miles in all—and thus give connection between Grafton and the coastal districts with Sydney and the tableland at the same time, instead of the long coastal route Grafton to Maitland 350 miles, without the inland connection. It is to be feared that this long coastal line, cut off as it would be from any extensive lateral traffic-producing area, may, if constructed, turn out to be another "butter and eggs" railway, of which we have an example in the now-paying Illawarra line. I wish, in conclusion, to say that not having complete figures by me the distances are only given approximately, and are open to correction. I am, &c.,

May 21. ARISTON METRON.

AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, Horses, and Harness.
And at 11.30 a.m.
Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1931.

HOODED BUGGY AND D SULKY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr J. McCauley to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 11.30 a.m.,
Brown Mare 14.2, 8 S. Buggy with leather hood and B.-M. Harness; also light Breaking-in Sulky with brake both in good repair.

RACEHORSE ANONYMOUS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. V. Jackson, Taree, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 12 o'clock,
Anonymous by g., 4 yrs., by Anonymous from Rose, dam of Thirlmere, own sister to the dam Beauclerc, &c., good hack and won races.

WELL-KNOWN RACING MARE BOTHER.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 12 o'clock,
BOTHER (full sister to Lucknow), by Russley, winner of many races, including the Challenge Stakes, for sale without reserve.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Gelding, 5 yrs., by Oscillator from The Kitten, out of Tilly, broken to saddle, untried.

TWO BLOOD HORSES BY CAMBRIA.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. F. Greentree, Wilberforce, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 12 o'clock,
GREYNESS, grey gelding, 5 yrs., about 14.3, by Cambria from Greyspoon; also, Brown Mare, 6 yrs., by Cambria, broken to saddle and harness.

FRESH COUNTRY HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. J. Worthington, St. Marys, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Handsome Gelding, 4 yrs., 15 hands, by Messenger from a roadster mare, broken to saddle and harness, and a docker.

6 FRESH COUNTRY HORSES FROM GREENDALE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Arthur Minshead, Greendale, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
3 strong thicknet Ponies, 14 to 15 hands; 2 good Van or Spy'cart Horses; 1 Black Gelding, suit an understeer; all 5 and 6 yrs. old, thoroughly broken,

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Monday Evening.

To-day was observed as a general holiday. On the London Stock Exchange on May 2 Australian bank deposits were quoted as follows:—

Australian Joint Stock Bank, "A" series, buyer 14s, seller 14s 6d;—"B" series, buyer 11s 3d, seller 11s 9d; Commercial Bank of Australia, "A" series, buyer 18s, seller 18s 9d; Commercial Bank of Australia, 4 per cent. pref., £10 fully paid, buyer 7½ 6d seller 7¾; ditto Imperial Assets fully paid, buyer 7¾ 6d seller 7¾; ditto Imperial Assets Trust Company, Limited, deposit receipts, buyer 18s, seller 18s 6d; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Terminable Deposits, buyer 18s; Inscribed Stock, perpetuable Deposits, buyer 18s; Debentures 4 per cent., buyer 18s; ditto deferred, buyer 18s; Debentures 4 per cent., buyer 18s; *London* Bank of Australia Deposits, buyer 18s 1½d, seller 18s 6d; Queensland National Bank Inscribed Stock, buyer 10s 3d, seller 11s.

From details cabled to the Cape we learn that the subscriptions included the following:—N. M. Rothschild and Sons, £90,000,000; Messrs. Panmure Gordon, Hill, and Co., £51,000,000; Messrs. Wedd, Jefferson, and Co., £45,000,000; the Credit Lyonnais, £40,000,000; the Dresdner Bank, £30,000,000; the Deutsche Bank, £25,000,000; L. Messell and Co., £20,000,000; Messrs. Wernher, Beit, and Co., £20,000,000. The individual subscriptions of only £100 were alone sufficient to cover the loan. Our cables mentioned that applications under £2000 would receive no allotment. Applicants for that amount and upwards will receive about 2·6 per cent. of their original application; no allotment, however, being made of a sum less than £100. It appears that English newspapers deplored the failure of the Bank to encourage the genuine small investor, who was woefully disheartened. The "Morning Post," in a leading article, said that the Bank had played into the hands of the big financiers, and suggested as a remedy that in future it should make 20 per cent. payable with the smaller applications, instead of 3 per cent., since the investor had his money ready, and the speculator was compelled to borrow.

The April output of the Transvaal mines again showed an increase, the aggregate being 227,871oz. fine, of the value of £967,936, as compared with 217,456oz. in the month of March. The Rand contributed 218,900oz. and the outside mines 8971oz. On the Rand 3235 stamps were working, and outside 208 stamps. The deep levels of the Rand mines did specially well.

The report of the Currency Commission appointed to consider the question of the establishment of a gold standard in the Straits Settlements, and the neighbouring Malay States, is a long document. The existing currency of these States consists of the British, Mexican, and Hongkong dollars, of course on a silver moveable basis, the actual amount being estimated at 30,000,000, with 7,212,000dol. of subsidiary silver coins, 1,887,500dol. (nominal) of subsidiary copper coins, 13,393,440dol. Government note issue on December 10, 1902, against which 8,714,655dol. was held in coin, and besides bank notes, of which the monthly circulation was 5,473,785dol. These figures in tieate the very large trade done in these Settlements. As a matter of fact, the extent of the trade is shown in the report by the following figures:—

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

	Imports. Dollars.	Exports. Dollars.
1901	84,809,807 ...	77,098,288
1902	105,486,217 ...	125,205,772
1903	210,281,094 ...	203,252,270

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.

	Imports. Dollars.	Exports. Dollars.
1901	16,201,278 ...	15,955,541
1902	19,161,159 ...	20,503,250
1903	29,324,653 ...	163,107,177

These valuations are in silver, and as this metal declined in value during the 19 years the total amount in 1901 would have to be reduced considerably to get at the true measure of the increase, just as similar statistics in gold values would have to be increased. But the increase in trade when so reduced would be found to be very great. On the whole the Straits Settlements, therefore, have prospered on the silver standard. But it was contended by the bulk of the witnesses before the commission that the like, or even greater prosperity, would have resulted during the past ten years if the gold standard had been in existence; and as the dollar has now fallen in value from 4s 2d to about 1s 7d they consider that the time had come at which those interests which had continuously suffered from the fall might fairly claim to be protected from further loss, unless it should appear that the disadvantages of adopting the necessary remedial measures would outweigh the benefits to be derived therefrom. As the bulk of the great trade of the Settlements is with gold using countries, Siam and the Philippines now being added to the number, the fluctuations in exchange are very inconvenient. Moreover, the investment of foreign capital is much needed, and this will be more readily procurable under a gold standard, which besides will be more advantageous for the fulfilment of Government obligations. The commission thought that if the Government inclined to the view which on the whole they favoured, the existing silver dollars of all denominations should be gradually replaced by a new Straits dollar of the same weight and fineness as the British dollar at present in use. Existing dollars, it is proposed, should be melted down, and when the currency is so largely composed of the new dollars as to justify the measure the British and Mexican dollars should be finally demonetised, and the new dollar rated to gold in the same manner that the rupee is rated—not necessarily at the same ratio. With a stable Government it is considered that this would be a preferable currency, suited to almost every class, and the coinage of silver being in the hands of the Government, a gold reserve would be created of the amount of the difference between the intrinsic value and the value that would be put into the coin.

In the week ended May 7 there had been an improvement in the state of the wool trade of Boston. The "American Wool and Cotton Reporter" of that date states that foreign wools had shown decidedly more activity. This increased activity, however, had been confined largely to the lower grades—wools that could be got up at a clean cost under 40c., low lustre Australian crossbreds, New Zealands at 36c. to 37c. In the neighbourhood of 200,000lb. of low Australian crossbreds had been sold, and other deals were said to be on. Fine Australian had sold, also, but only in a comparatively limited way, 50's and above commanding 86c. to 89c., clean. Some of the large consumers had purchased the lower class of stock.

L. Rodman Wanamaker, son of John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia (says the New York "Spectator"), has procured from the Prudential Insurance Company through its Philadelphia agents, a policy for 1,000,000dol., with an annual premium of over 30,000dol. This brings his insurance up to 2,000,000dol., which is an amount larger than that carried by any other man, with the possible exception of King Edward VII., about whose insurance there is no definite information to be had, and it is not believed that he personally carries a large amount of insurance, although a great many people pay for insurance on the life of the King to protect interests which would be affected by the death of the reigning monarch. John Wanamaker carries 1,500,000dol. life insurance, while several men are insured for 1,000,000dol.

Elsewhere Messrs. S. H. Harris and Co. announce an important auction sale to-day.

IMPORT MARKET.

To-day was kept as a close holiday by mercantile houses.

According to the official returns the crop of rice last year (says the "Japan Times") was 36,994,825 koku, and the land used for the cultivation of rice had an area of 2,847,395 cho (6,976,117 acres). As compared with the returns for the previous year the area shows a decrease of only 73·3 cho (184 acres), while the crop shows a decrease of 9,919,809 koku. As compared with the estimated returns for a so-called "ordinary year"—which represent the average for a number of years—the area had increased by 28,859 cho (72,147 acres), while the crop had decreased by 3,861,490 koku. A koku equals 4·9 bushels.

Consul Tourgee of Bordeaux states:—"The most important consequence of the drought is the failure of the French nitrate crop, the destruction of which is reported to be practically complete, and as this follows the poor crop of last year the country is without any surplus supplies, except what may be left of last season's importations from California.

British metal experts are deeply interested in a new process for hardening and annealing steel, known as the Holzer-Frith process. W. H. L. Frith, a member of a well-known London firm, declares that the present process of hardening steel by plunging and subsequent annealing will be abolished, and all steel now in use, including armour-plate, will shortly be obsolete. By the new process hardening and annealing are accomplished simultaneously in a bath of quicksilver confined in a hermetically sealed vessel. The rapid expansion of the silver under the influence of heat is said to create an even pressure all round, and to prevent that distortion of the molecules which causes those flaws in steel as now hardened which often lead to disasters where the product is subjected to severe tests. The inventor asserts, and the British Government tests seem to bear him out, that metal hardened and annealed by the quicksilver process is immensely increased in strength and rendered non-corrodible. It is also asserted that ship plates and all exposed metal work can be made hard enough to resist rust and to offer extraordinary resistance to projectiles. Frith argues that the process will not be unnecessarily expensive, since the same quicksilver can be used repeatedly.

Writing on the axe situation, the "Export World," dated New York, May 8, states:—"The axe market is as recently become decidedly unstable. The attempt of the manufacturers to maintain prices has been unsuccessful, and a break has resulted, in which prices went below those of contracts of last year. In spite of sharp competition the trade is not expecting a further decline, as present prices permit of little or no profit."

Turpentine has been fluctuating widely of late, both locally and at the centre of distribution. The Strong and Trowbridge Company, writing from New York under date May 6, state:—"Since our last advices prices have been forced down to 2s 9½d per imperial gallon, at which quotation considerable business has already been put through, both for spot and forward delivery. We cannot find any anticipation on the part of those most closely connected with this trade for any great reduction in present quotations; in fact, there appears to be certain favourable conditions at the source of supply that warrants a most optimistic view of the future of this market, and considerable purchases have been made at present rates for delivery a month hence."

EXPORT MARKET.

London Frozen Mutton Market.—Messrs. J. Barrs Johnston and Co. have received the following cablegram:—

River Plate mutton: We quote to-day's value in Smithfield Market 3½ lb. Market quiet.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

BRISBANE, Monday.

Chillagoe debentures, s £76; Queensland National Bank, b 10s 6d, s 11s; Queensland Trustees, b 6s (no sales).

PRODUCE MARKET.

Official statistics show that the exports of New Zealand produce to the Common wealth during 1902 compare with those of the two preceding years as follows:—

	1900.	1901.	1902.
Hay and straw, tons	63 ...	56 ...	379
Malt, bushels	220,923 ...	141,324 ...	3,650
Bran, tons	3,790 ...	2,705 ...	5,027
Pollard, tons	730 ...	216 ...	990
Oatmeal, centals	80,764 ...	66,279 ...	35,065
Barley, bushels	90,235 ...	60,016 ...	149,777
Beans and peas	43,789 ...	29,600 ...	31,525
Maize, bushels	192,719 ...	129,089 ...	295,986
Wheat, bushels	2,488,014 ...	1,541,101 ...	1,189,448
Rye, bushels	19,709 ...	8,302 ...	2,146
Wheat, bushels	119,473 ...	29,456 ...	118,245
Potatoes, tons	12,964 ...	21,126 ...	15,129

These figures would probably have taken a very different aspect had it not been for the rise at drought.

FAT STOCK SALES.

ROMSEUSH YARDS.—Monday.

SHEEP.

About 7000 sheep and lambs penned at to-day's sales, from 34 consignors. The sheep comprised a large proportion of good, useful merinos, mainly wethers, very few medium quality, and not many prime or extra prime; crossbreds were moderately represented, including an occasional pen of prime. Although there was the usual attendance of buyers, and a few graziers operating for stocking purposes, the light supply of sample for requirements, consequently the market opened easier to clerk competition; this tone, with slight variation prevailed to the close. quotations:—Prime merino wethers 16s 6d to 17s 6d, extra prime merino wethers (very fine) to 18s 6d, odd one to 19s 6d, medium merino wethers 15s 6d to 16s, medium merino wethers 10 to 11s 6d; prime crossbred wethers 17s 6d to 18s 6d, extra prime to 20s 6d, good crossbred wethers 14s 6d to 16s 6d; medium crossbred wethers 11s to 13s; prime merino ewes 14s to 16s 6d, odd extra prime to 20s, good merino ewes 11s to 12s 6d, medium merino ewes 8s 6d to 10s; prime crossbred ewes 16s to 18s, extra prime crossbred ewes 13s to 15s 6d, good crossbred ewes 12s to 14s 6d, medium crossbred ewes 11s to 12s 6d.

Wardon Harry Graves and Son.—135 wethers for J. H. Baird, Cooma, at 13s 4d, 145 at 12s, 80 at 11s, 9 ewes at 15s 10d; 52 ewes for G. H. Pritchard, Mullengudgery, at 14s 7d, 24 at 12s 5d.

Weaver and Parry.—124 wethers for T. Blunt, Aberdeen, at 16s 1d, 203 at 14s 4d, 49 at 13s 3d; 117 wethers for Northern agents, Armidale, at 15s 3d, 370 at 13s 8d to 13s 11d; 100 at 12s 10d; 18 wethers for T. Blunt, Aberdeen, at 14s 11d, 238 at 13s 8d, 35 at 12s 3d to 12s 4d; 86 wethers for E. R. and A. B. Moore, Ravenswerth, at 14s 8d, 30 at 13s 5d; 9 wethers for W. J. Edmonds, Tarago, at 12s 9d to 13s, 20 at 11s 9d.

Pain, Hall, and Sedgery, Limited.—68 wethers for Western agents, Bourke, at 17s 1d to 17s 4d; 30 wethers for C. Woodhouse, Cooma, at 14s 6d, 65 ewes at 12s 9d to 12s 10d, 100 at 11s 9d; 103 wethers for J. Hales, Queanbeyan, at 17s 9d, 20 rams at 11s 10d to 12s 6d; 57 wethers at 15s 6d; 44 wethers for Cirnitt and Co., Queanbeyan, at 14s 4d; 6 crossbred wethers for M. O'Keefe, Queanbeyan, at 15s 6d, 12 lambs at 12s; 40 ewes at 14s. 57 wethers at 15s 6d; 44 wethers for Cirnitt and Co., Queanbeyan, at 14s 4d; 6 crossbred wethers for M. O'Keefe, Queanbeyan, at 15s 6d, 12 lambs at 12s; 40 ewes at 14s. 57 wethers at 15s 6d; 7 wethers at 14s 6d. 57 crossbred ewes at 11s 3d; 50 wethers for G. Woodhouse, Cooma, at 16s 6d, 21 at 15s 1d, 43 ewes at 11s 3d to 11s 6d; 107 wethers for W. Jardine, Cooma, at 12s, 70 ewe hoggets at 13s 6d to 13s 9d, 127 wether hoggets at 12s 1d to 12s 7d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, for Victorian agents, A. Byrne, Milolaga, at 16s 7d to 17s; 51 ewes for A. Ireland, Cooma, at 12s 9d, 67 at 11s 4d, 87 at 10s 6d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—25 crossbred ewes for Southern agents, Bowen, at 21s 6d, 45 at 21s 3d, 50 at 21s, 80 at 20s 9d, 29 at 19s; 14 crossbred ewes for J. M'Donald, Albury, at 18s 6d, 18 at 18s, 7 (mixed) at 11s 6d to 14s 6d; 145 wethers for W. F. Buchanan, Narrabri, at 13s 1d, 40 at 12s 6d, 31 at 17s 9d, 10 crossbred wethers at 21s, 6 rams at 14s.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—36 crossbred wethers for F. A. Parbury, Scone, 20s to 20s 3d, 20 at 19s 7d, 14 wethers at 17s 1d; 326 wethers for J. Lewis, Tarago, at 16s 7½ at 15s 3d to 15s 9d; 337 wethers for Ruby estate, read, at 15s 10d to 16s 6d, 30 lambs at 13s, 46 wethers at 11s 11d.

J. C. Young and Co.—176 wethers for Southern agents, Cooma, at 13s 7d, 26 at 12s 9d, 9 crossbred wethers at 13s 7d; 6 crossbred wethers for D. Wilson, Cooma, at 20s, 15 crossbreds at 18s 6d, 12 hoggets at 12s; 40 ewes for Southern agents, Cooma, at 11s 9d, 187 at 10s 6d, 42 wethers at 10s 6d, 6 at 10s, 15 (mixed) at 8s 10d; 79 wethers for C. H. Robertson, Tarago, at 12s 6d, 9 stags at 12s, 9 (mixed) at 12s 6d; 100 wethers at 11s 3d; 145 wethers for W. Crisp, Tarago, at 12s 1d to 12s 7d, 25 ewes at 9s 10d, 81 wethers at 11s 6d.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Limited.—144 wethers for J. Richmond, Umaralla, at 17s 11d, 20 at 17s 7d, 31 crossbred ewes at 12s 6d to 12s 7d, 25 ewes at 9s 10d, 81 wethers at 11s 6d.

Maiden Brothers.—125 wethers for executors of the late R. K. Cruse, Queanbeyan, at 18s, 279 at 16s 7d, 94 at 15s 10d; 148 wethers for J. Smith, Farley, at 17s 9d, 58 at 15s 3d to 15s 10d; 70 wethers for Northern agents at 15s 10d, 15 at 16s 3d, 20 crossbred wethers at 19s 6d, 22 at 16s 6d; 36 crossbred ewes for G. Lonsdale, Berrigan, at 14s 3d, 33 at 12s 9d.

LAMBS.

A small supply of lambs. All qualities forward, a sprinkling of prime; competition active and values again high. Prime lambs 12s 6d to 14s 6d, a few extra prime to 15s 3d, good lambs 11s 6d to 12s 6d, medium lambs 9s 6d to 10s.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—10 lambs for J. M'Donald at 14s 3d, 6 at 14s 1d, 20 at 13s, 15 crossbreds at 13s; 28 lambs for Southern agents, Bowen, at 13s 9d.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—7 lambs for F. A. Parbury at 13s 6d to 15s.

J. C. Young and Co.—5 lambs for D. Wilson at 16s 3d, 14 at 13s 4d to 13s 7d; 6 lambs for C. H. Roberts at 9s 7d; 5 lambs for W. T. Crisp at 13s 1d, 5 at 10s 3d.

Maiden Brothers.—14 for G. Lonsdale at 14s 8d.

CATTLE.

Upwards of 508 cattle yarded, representing 27 consignors, mainly from the Northern districts, including 168 from the Upper Richmond River, the balance, with 108 Queenslanders, from the South and local sources. The yardings comprised all qualities, and included a good representation of prime and heavy bullocks; over 300 cows and heifers, mainly good quality, with a fair proportion of prime; 11 bulls also forward. There was the usual attendance of buyers, and as the supply seemed well within the demand the market opened to free competition at about last Thursday's rates, hardening occasionally as the sales progressed for the better-quality bullocks, closing firm. Quotations: Yards of prime bullocks, £10 10s to £11 10s; yards of prime and heavy bullocks, £12 to to £13 5s 6d; odd yards of extra prime and heavy bullocks, to £14 7s 6d; yards of good bullocks, £9 10s to £9 10s; yards of medium bullocks, £8 10s to £7 10s; yards of light and inferior bullocks and steers, £5 to £5 10s; yards of prime cows, £7 10s to £8; yards of extra prime cows, £8 10s to £9; yards of good cows, £6 to £7; yards of medium cows, £4 to £5. Best local weighing 38s to 3½ per 100lb.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—29 bullocks for J. and A. Stevenson, Obuon, to 29 12s, averaging £9 4s 9d.

J. C. Young and Co.—30 cows and heifers for G. E. Cory, Cooma, at 9s 6d, averaging £5 2s 6d; 14 cows and heifers for Northern agents, Farley, to £5 11s, averaging £4 15s 2d.

Weaver and Parry.—39 heifers for L. J. Hickey, Tarago, to £8 5s, averaging £7 10s 4d; 13 bullocks for D. H. White, Maswellbrook, to £7 5s, averaging £7 0s 9d; 1 bullock for Northern agents, Armidale, at £6 12s, 1 stag at £6 17s, 37 cows to £6 17s, averaging £6 8s 5d; 15 cows for A. Dempsey, Bungendore, at £5 15s; 7 calves for Northern agents, read, to £9 10s, average £2 2s 6d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—33 bullocks for Southern agents to £15 9s 6d, averaging £10 18s 2d; 32 bullocks for F. O'Neill, Tenterfield, to £7 15s, averaging £6 19s 4d; 4 cows and heifers for Northern agents, to £6 5s, 1 bullock at £5 5s, 1 cow at £5 15s.

William Inglis and Son.—2 bullocks for Mr. B Buffier to £11 10s 6d, averaging £11 4s 9d, 6 steers to £7 17s 6d, averaging £7 2s 9d, 1 stag at £7 12s, 17 cows to £6 12s, averaging £6 3s 10d; 10 bulls for Southern agents to £8 9s averaging £5 12s 9d, 1 bullock at £6 9s, 3 cows at £3 12s; 1 cow for local owner at £3 18s.

Pain, Hall, and Sedgery, Limited.—172 bullocks for D. MacGregor, Durham Downs (Q.), to £14 7s 6d, averaging £11 10s 6d, 17 cows to £9, averaging £8 8s 3d; 20 bullocks for W. H. Mackay, Farley, to £11 12s 6d, averaging £11 1s 3d; 32 bullocks for E. Pritchard, Nowra, to £11 5s, averaging £9 16s 2d, 13 cows to £8 15s, averaging £8 11s 7d; 1 bullock for H. Bates, Tenterfield, at £9 10s; 2 bullocks for R. Scott, Bredbo, to £9 15s, averaging £8 11s 3d, 14 cows to £8 14s, averaging £6 12s 9d; 11 bullocks for Berry Brothers, Cooma, at £8 9s, 23 cows to £7 12s, averaging £6 12s 3d; 22 cows for Mrs. M. L. Singleton, Armidale, to £7 10s, averaging £6 11s 6d; 1 cow for W. J. Barley, Local Paddocks, at £5 15s; 9 cows for Southern agents, Cooma, to £5 9s, averaging £5 7s 9d; 2 bullocks for J. T. Collett, Queanbeyan, at £9 15s, 7 steers to £9 5s, averaging £8 3s 9d, 4 heifers to £6 5s, averaging £4 7s.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—20 bullocks for S. Browne, Whittingham, to £12 2s 6d, averaging £12 0s 9d; 7 steers for W. Crisp, T nee field, at £9 15s; 168 cows for Barnes Estate, Dyraaba, to £9 10s 6d, averaging £6 10s 11d.

Maiden Brothers.—10 cows for P. M'Namara, to £8, averaging £4 10s, 2 bulls to £4 15s, averaging £4 1s.

WEST MAITLAND, Monday.

At the stock sales held at Campbell's Hill to-day, there was a good attendance of buyers. In regard to fat cattle, there was a large supply forward, principally cows. Competition was brisk throughout. Values were fully equal to last week's rates. The best ys 6s of bullocks made £12 to £12 12s, good £10 2s to £11, light and medium £8 10s to £9 17s 6d, cows, best £9 to £9 5s, good £7 5s to £8 5s, other £4 6s to £6 15s. Calves: A fairly large supply was penned. The demand was active. Prime heifer vealers made £5 7s to £6 5s, good 60s to 80s, small and medium 20s 6d to 40s. Sheep: There was a small supply penned. The demand was fairly active, and values were without alteration. Crossbred wethers made 17s 6d to 20s; ewes, 16s 1d to 18s 9d; best pens of merino wethers, 15s 11d to 16s 9d, second 17s 6d to 18s, others 14s 9d to 15s 6d. Pigs: A small supply was in high supply. The demand was very brisk, and values were firm at late rates. Boarers made 50s 6d to 62s, heavy porkers 60s to 62s, light 30s 6d to 36s.

Robert Little and Co.—Hay, Chaff. Produce Auctions, Redfern daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

PATERSON and COMBRIDGE, 231 Sussex-street, Auctioneers, Produce Merchants, and Commission Agents. Auction Sales anywhere. Agents for "CORN CUB" BRAND, PRIMEST BREAKFAST BACON made in any of the States; a real delicacy.—Advt.

WALKER and ORBY, 142 Sussex-street.—Grain, Chaff Sales, Redfern daily, highest prices, prompt returns.—Advt.

"KAMERUKA" CREDDAR CHEESE, made by experts, acknowledged to be superior to all other brands.

DENHAM BROS., Sole Agents, 220, 221 Sussex-st.—Advt.

"York Castle Brand of Mild-cured Bacon. Cured by English experts. Flavour delicious." Denham Bros.—Advt.

DALGETY and COMP NY, Ltd., hold Auction Sales daily at Redfern Railway Station. All farm produce. Full prices, with quick returns.—Advt.

R. HALL and SON, Auctioneers and General Produce Merchants. Sales at Redfern daily. Highest prices.—Advt.

SHEPPARD, HARVEY, and WALKER, 138 Sussex-street. Sales, Hay, Straw, Chaff, Redfern, daily.—Advt.

Ellis and Co., live stock and produce auctioneers.—Sales of Chaff, Hay, &c., held at Redfern daily.—Advt.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Yesterday being a public holiday the Sydney Stock Exchange was not opened for business.

The Sulphide Corporation, Limited, advises work done during the week ended May 30 as follows:—Central Mine, Broken Hill: Ore milled, 4040 tons; concentrates produced, 803 tons; assays of concentrates, silver 30·1oz. per ton, lead 60·8 per cent., zinc 10·8 per cent. Cockle Creek works: Bullion produced, 297 tons, containing gold 2037oz., silver 25,813oz.

Mr. R. N. Kirk, Sydney agent for the Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company, No Liability, advises that for the week ended June 8 the company treated 3279 tons crude ore and 707 tons tailings, producing 706 tons concentrates, assaying 67 per cent. lead, 26oz. silver, and 8 per cent. zinc.

The Mount Farrell Company (Tasmania) advises that for the week ended May 30 the No 2 north crosscut has been extended 7ft., total 557ft. They are passing through very favourable country, carrying splashes of ore of high-grade appearance, and expect to cut lode any shift.

A telegram was received from the manager of the Cuprite Tin Mine (Watsonville, Queensland) on June 1, as follows:—"Montgomery's shaft producing some rich ore. Outlook very promising."

A GREAT SOURCE OF COPPER SUPPLY.

RICH DEPOSITS IN AFRICA.

Evidence goes to show that in Northern Rhodesia and in Central Africa there is an enormous wealth of copper ore only awaiting the advent of the railway to be made readily available for the purpose of consumers in Europe and elsewhere (says "Engineering" in its issue of May 1 last). So abundant and rich are the manifestations that it is freely asserted that Africa will in a few years become the world's great source of supply. Reference was made in these columns not long ago to some special reports dealing with the cupriferous potentialities of the extensive areas of land owned in Northern Rhodesia by the Northern Copper and Rhodesian Copper companies; and now are issued reports dealing with discoveries of ore of great magnitude and richness in the Congo Free State, in a tract of country comprised within the area of 50,000 square miles over which the Tanganyika Concessions has secured the mining rights. Mr J. R. Farrell, who is well known as a copper expert, states that on the watershed between the drainage basins of the Congo and Zambesi rivers, in the Katanga district, bordering upon Northern Rhodesia, some 52 different copper areas have been located, covering a distance of about 175 miles in length and 25 miles in width. The country is undulating, with much grass, well-wooded, void of underbrush, and healthy. Mr. Farrell refers to five of those 52 areas which are on the main fissure and extend over a length of 40 miles—the intervening spaces not yet having been fully explored. On one of them, Kambove No 2, one of the several ore bodies is reported to expose a fissure vein of solid ore 150ft. in length and 100ft. in width, which can be quarried for an average depth of at least 100ft., giving within these measurements about 10 million tons of ore above the 100ft. level. Concerning ores open cut driven for 270ft. between a portion of the vein to an average depth of 10ft., Mr. Farrell gives these details:—First 20ft. loose material not assayed; next 14ft. laminated silicious vein stuff with malachite between layers, 17·45 per cent of copper; next 18ft. soft silicious marly stuff in strata, 12·6 per cent.; next 3oft soft ore, 17·04 per cent.; next 74ft. harder, more silicious seams malachite, 25·03 per cent., next 12ft. soft-dressed clayer material, not ores, 1·35 per cent; next 44ft. copper ore, usual type, 19·43 per cent.; remaining 54ft. filled with debris, not sampled. There are 497ft. of open cuts in this ore body, 217½ft. of shafts, and 287ft. of crosscutting, in which results are reported somewhat similar to those in open cut. Allowing fairly for smelting losses, the average value of the ores is estimated to yield at least 15 per cent. of metallic copper, of a grade equal to the best brands now on the market. It is stated that the ore could be mined and loaded on railway trucks at a cost not exceeding 2s per ton, and with a properly located and constructed central reduction works and suitable railway transport from the mines, the cost of producing a ton of good commercial copper should not exceed £12 sterling. The average of the 18 samples from Kambove No. 2 ores, according to the check assays made by Messrs. Johnson, Matthey, and Co., show 16·45 per cent copper, 6·75 per cent. iron, 0·07 per cent. nickel, and 0·24 per cent. cobalt, besides small quantities of gold and silver. The other areas are upon secondary veins, and many of them carry valuable ore bodies. The one thing necessary to develop these discoveries in the Congo Free State is transportation to the seaboard, and this is to be provided for by a railway to Lobito Bay on the West Coast of Africa.

MINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

ALBURY, Monday.

Some splendid quartz specimens are on view from the Mount Elliott claim, Corryong.

ARALUEN, Monday.

A trial crushing from Blatchford's old reef, near Major's Creek-road, was reported to be very satisfactory.

BLAYNEY, Monday.

Work is progressing at Brown's Creek under the management of Mr. J. W. Roberts. During the week a powerful boiler passed through here on its way to the mine.

GUNDAGAI, Monday.

At the warden's court to-day Walter Bowditch applied for authority to enter a paddock of P. Hearndon's mine for gold. Applicant said he intended sinking a shaft in the bed of the creek. The warden refused the application, contending that such must be applied for under the Dredging Act, as the ground wanted was near permanent water.

TINGHA TIN MINES.

SEVERAL CLAIMS FLOODED.

TINGHA, Saturday.

The late heavy rain has caused much trouble among miners working in the shallow ground. Most of the claims have been flooded out, and the occupants are compelled to go tomahawking or potholing for reefs until the water sinks away. M'Leod and party, working in Lear's paddock, have about 100 loads of wash at grass, and will start carting to the washing plant in a few days. M'Clubbin and party, working the adjoining block, bottomed the shaft some by Arcadia and party, and after carrying in a few chains were compelled to abandon it owing to the drive falling in. They are now sinking a new shaft a short distance away. Goodwin and party, who have been working for some time on Star Gully, are driving on payable wash. Ward and party, working the old Buckwood reef, have sunk a new shaft, and struck payable stone, with every appearance of striking a bunch. This reef has been the best on the field, upwards of £5000 worth of tin having been taken out of it since it was struck some two and a half years ago. The expenses have been very light. Orchard and party, who have been stacking surfacing on Rowe's Hill for some time, are now able to ground sluice part of the claim, having water in their dams. Abstock and party, working on Williams gully, have a considerable quantity of wash at grass, and are busy washing. Hesserts and party, working for some time in the gully opposite Rowe's, have commenced washing with satisfactory results, and are now preparing to raise more wash.

Orchard and Son are raising payable wash in their tunnel in Morris's Hill, but the wash is very hard and difficult to break out. On the next block, are making fair progress, but the sinking is very hard. Martin and party, who have been working the Red Hill for some years, have disposed of their interest to Mr. John Smilling. The dredging machine of Cole's Creek Dredging Company, for a satisfactory figure. This claim has been worked with satisfactory returns for the past three years, and is considered to be the best on the field. Taylor and party, working the adjoining block, are driving on payable wash in their tunnel. Williams and party, sinking at Crystal Hill with aid from the prospecting vote, are making satisfactory progress, but the rock is very hard, and they are compelled to use explosives. Hyde and party, who have been stacking surfacing at the junction of Stoney and Cope's creeks, have now secured plenty of water, and are ground sluicing. Schumann and party, at Hopper's Mountain, have washed up with satisfactory returns, and will start raising again.

INTER-STATE EXCHANGES.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Monday.

Sales on the Exchange to-day were:—Brilliant Extended, paid, 21s 4d; Brilliant St. George, paid, 25s 3d; Craven's Caledonia, 4s 8d; Kelly's Queen, 1s 11½d, 2s; Kulamadan, 1s 7d; New Caledonia Tribute, 10d; New Queen, 3s 9d to 4s 2d; North Queen, 6s 3d; Papuan, 7s 6d; Phenbe, 2s 9d to 3s 6d; Queen Cross Reef, 6⅜; Queen Central, paid, 27s 3d; Queen Central Block, 3s 2d; Ruby, 8s 3d, 8s 4d; Ruby United, 11d to 1s 2d; ditto, part, 2s 11d; Ruby Extended, 1s; Ruby Queen, 9d; Victoria and Caledonia, paid, 3s 6d.

Quotations were:—Kuamadan Dundee, b 13s 2d, s 13s 9d; Brilliant Block, b 8s 6d, s 9s; ditto, paid, b 3s 6d, s 10s; Brilliant Freehold, b 3s 3d; ditto, paid, b 4s 5d, s 4s 11d; Brilliant St. George, b 21s 2d, s 21s 6d; ditto, paid, b 24s 10d, s 25s 6d; Brilliant Extended, b 18s, s 18s 6d; ditto, paid, b 21s, s 21s 6d; Clark's B. W. and Victory, b 2s 1d, s 2s 3d; Craven's Caledonia, b 4s 8d, s 4s 9d; Coronation G.M., b 7d, s 9d; ditto, paid, b 1s 6d, s 2s; Day Dawn Gold Mines, b 4s, s 15s 6d; Golden Alexandra, paid, b 1s 5d; Grant and Sunset, open cutting, 11s 6d, s 12s; Grand Junction, b 19s, s 20s; ditto, paid, b 19s 6d, s 22s 6d; Kelly's Queen, b 5d, s 9d; ditto, paid, b 1s 1½d, s 2s; Kulamadan, b 1s 6d; ditto, paid, b 1s 9d, s 2s 4d; Lady Florence, b 9d, s 11d; London G.M., b 11s 3d, s 12s 6d; ditto paid, b 12s 9d, s 14s 9d; Marshall's Queen, paid, b 17s 3d; Mills United, s 8s; New Caledonia Tribute, b 9d, s 10d; ditto, paid, b 1s 3d; New Irish Girl, b 1s 9d, s 2s; New Queen, b 4s, s 4s 2d; North Queen, b 6s 1d, s 6s 3d; Papuan, b 7s 6d, s 7s 7d; Phenbe, b 2s 6d, s 2s 8d; ditto, paid, b 4s 6d, s 3s 6d; Queen Cross Reef, b 5⅝ 9d, s 6⅛; Queen Cross Extended, s 1s 2d; Queen Central, paid, b 27s, s 27s 9d; Queen Central Block, b 2s 6d, s 2s 7d; ditto, paid, b 8s 6d, s 10s; Ruby, b 8s 4d, s 8s 5d; ditto, paid, b 8s 9d, s 9s 6d; Ruby United, b 1s 2d, s 1s 2½d; ditto, paid, b 2s 9d, s 3s; Ruby Extended, b 1s, s 1s 1d; ditto, paid, b 2s 6d; Ruby South, b 1s, s 1s 3d; ditto, paid, b 2s; Ruby Queen, b 9d, s 10d; Tasmanian, b 18s, s 20s; Victoria and Caledonia, b 7s 3d; ditto, paid, b 8s 6d, s 9s; Victoria G. M., b 3s 9d.

GYMPIE, Monday.

Sales on the Exchange to-day were:—Glanmore and Monkland Tributes, 10d; No. 1 South Great Eastern, 5d, 5½d; No. 4 ditto, 4½d; No. 7 Lady Mary, 1s 5d; Oriental and Glanmire, new, 19s 11½, 20s 4d, 20s 5d; No. 2 North Oriental, 3s 2d; Oriental Extended, 2s 4d; No. 1 North Oriental Extended, 3½d, 3¾d; Phoenix Golden Pile, 1s 2d, 1s 2½d, 1s 3d, 1s 4d. 1s 4½d; No. 5 North Phoenix, 2s 6d; No. 6 ditto, 5d, 5½d; Smithfield and Pioneers Golden Pile, 10s 3d, 10s; North Oriental, 5s; South Scottish, 9½d; No. 3 North Victory, 6d; No. 1 North Home Rule, 3½d. The quotations were:—Australasian, b 1s, s 1s 6d; Black's New Zealand, b 6d, s 7d; Columbia Smithfield, b 3s 5d, s 3s 9d; No. 1 North Columbia, new, b 2s, s 2s 4d; Columbia Extended, Columbia, new, b 2s, s 2s 4d; South Glanmire and Monkland, b 1s 3½, s 1s 6d; South Glanmire and Monkland Tribute, b 34s, s 37s 3d; Glanmire and Monkland Tribute, b 9½d, s 10d; No. 1 South Great Eastern, b 5½d, s 6d; No. 2 ditto, b 64s, s 68s; No. 3 ditto, b 3d, s 4d; No. 4 ditto, b 3½, s 3½d; No. 7 Lady Mary, b 1s 4½d, s 1s 5d; Oriental Surprise, b 1s 7d, s 1s 8d; Oriental and Glanmire, old, b 21s 4d, s 23s; ditto, new, b 20s 4½, s 20s 8d; No. 1 North Oriental, b 18s, s 18s 5d; No. 2 ditto, b 3s 1d, s 3s 3d; No. 1 South Oriental, b 15s 6d, s 16s 5d; Oriental Extended, b 2s 3½d, s 2s 5½; East Oriental, b 4s, s 4s 4d; Oriental and Columbia, contributing, b 3½d, s 5½d; Oriental and Consols, paid, b 8s 9d, s 10s; No. 5 North Phœnix, b 2s 5½d, s 2s 6d; No. 6 ditto, b 5d, s 5½d; Smithfield Golden Pile, b 9s 10d, s 10s 5d; North Oriental, b 5s 2d, s 5s 6d; South Scottish, b 9d, s

FUNERALS.

CLELAND.—The Friends of the late Mr. GEORGE ALEXANDER CLELAND are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will leave his late residence, 84 Ferrie-street, Annandale, THIS (Tuesday) MORNING, at 8.45 o'clock, for Petersham Station, thence to Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood. FRED. FROST, Undertaker, 225 Parramatta-road, Leichhardt.

CLELAND.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM CUFF are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late BROTHER, Mr. George Alexander Cleland, to move from his late residence, 84 Ferrie-street, Annandale, THIS (Tuesday) MORNING, at 8.45 o'clock, for Petersham Station, thence to Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood.

CLELAND.—The Friends of Messrs. HUGH and ROBERT CLELAND are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late COUSIN, Mr. George A. Cleland; to leave his late residence, 84 Ferrie-street, Annandale, THIS (Tuesday) MORNING, at 8.45 for Petersham Station, thence to Rookwood. FRED FROST, Undertaker.

KENNIFF.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY KENNIFF are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved eldest SON, John, which will leave her residence, No 137 Monafield-street, Balmain, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for the Necropolis, via Mortuary Station, Sydney.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Annie Smith; to leave her late residence, 28 Dick-street, Chippendale, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers and Embalmers, 185 Georgeest. W. Tel., 235 Glebe.

SMITH. The Friends of Mr. CHARLES SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved MOTHER, Annie Smith; to leave her late residence, 28 Dick-street, Chippendale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. and EMILY REID are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Annie Smith; to leave her late residence, 28 Dick-street, Chippendale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers and Embalmers.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mrs. BUTTERPANT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly loved MOTHER, Annie Smith; to leave her late residence, 28 Dick-street, Chippendale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers and Embalmers, 185 George-st. W. Tel., 203.

FULLERTON.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. FULLERTON will leave 57 Darlinghurst-road at 1.30 p.m. THIS DAY, for the Mortuary and Rookwood.
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LEVY.—The Friends of Mr. B. LEVY, J. LEVY, M. LEVY, ROSE LEVY, and Mrs. M. L. LEWIS, Mrs. S. H. COHEN, Mrs. A. H. LEVY, Mrs. D. COLLINS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER; to leave the residence, 17 Green's-road, Paddington, THIS DAY, at 1.30; from Mortuary at 2.30.

BLANCE.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES M. BLANCE, of Beecroft, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Annie, leaving Redf ra station at 1.40 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery, on arrival of 1 o'clock train from Beecroft.
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GARVIN.—The Friends of Mr. DENIS AUGUSTUS GARVIN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, 48 Newtown-street, Newtown, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Roman Catholic Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers, 185 George-street West. Telephone, 203 Glebe.

GRAY.—The Friends of Messrs. ROBERT, THOMAS, and CHARLES, Misses EDITH and FANNY, and the late ALEXANDER GRAY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Nellie; to leave the residence of Mrs. Field, 23 Union-street, Newtown, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Necropolis, via Newtown Station.
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GRAY.—The Friends of Mrs. FIELD and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late FRIEND, Nellie Gray; to leave her residence, 23 Union-street, Newtown, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Necropolis, via Newtown Station.
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DAWSON.—The Funeral of the late Mr. HARRY PERCY DAWSON (R.N., Retired) will leave his late residence, 32 Marion-st, at Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2, for Petersham Station, thence to Necropolis. HOUTS and GOMME ON, 250 King-street, Newtown. Tel., 86 N.

BOWREY.—The Friends of Mrs. REBECCA BOWREY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND (Henry William); to move from his residence, Maloney-street, North Botany, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Botany Cemetery.
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BOWREY.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS BOWREY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved BROTHER (Henry William); to move from his residence, Maloney-street, North Botany, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Botany Cemetery. W. STEWART and SON, Undertakers.

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CHAPMAN.—The Relatives and Friends of the late Mrs. Annie M. Chapman are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral, to move from St. Vincent's Hospital, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Waverley.
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CASSIDY.—The Funeral of the late JAMES GREGORY CASSIDY will leave his late residence, 47 Oxford-street, Kingston, Newtown, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
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STUART.—The Friends of the late Mr. WALTER H. STUART are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will leave his late residence, Maidenhair, Gordon-road, Lindfield, THIS (Tuesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 p.m., for Congregational Cemetery, Gore Hill.
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HYNES.—The Funeral of the late FRANCES MAUD HYNES will move from the residence of Mrs. K. Keefe, 280 Oxford-street, Waverley, THIS TUESDAY, at 2.30 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.
Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON,
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WALLIS.—The Friends of Mrs. A. WALLIS and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved HUSBAND and FATHER, Alfred Wallis; to leave his late residence, 9 Wilson-street, Redfern, WEDNESDAY MORNING, at 9.15, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers.

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MATHEWS.—The Members of the RAILWAY MILITARY BAND are invited to attend the Funeral of their late Member, WILLIAM (J.) MATHEWS; to leave his late residence, 78 Castlereagh-street, Redfern, on WEDNESDAY, at 1 p.m., for Necropolis. By order, Richard Austen, secretary. E. W. Thomas, undertaker, 62 King-st.

MATHEWS.—The Friends of Messrs. JAMES, ERNEST, JOHN, and ALFRED MATHEWS are invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, William George Mathews; to leave his late residence, 78 Castlereagh-st., Redfern, on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis. E. W. Thomas, undertaker.

PENFOLD.—The Friends of the late Mr. ALFRED PERCY PENFOLD are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will move from his late residence, No. 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Waverley. By request, no flowers.
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PENFOLD.—The Friends of Mr. VICTORIA A. M. PENFOLD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly loved HUSBAND, Alfred Percy, which will leave her residence, No. 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Church of England Cemetery, Waverley.

PENFOLD. The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. DANIEL PASKINS and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved BROTHER, Alfred Percy Penfold, which will leave his late residence, No. 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for C.E. Cem., Waverley.

PENFOLD.—The Friends of Mr. FANNY PENFOLD and Mrs. FLORENCE PASKIN, of 423 Cleveland-street, Redfern, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON and BROTHER, Alfred Percy Penfold, which will leave his late residence, No. 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Waverley Cemetery.

PENFOLD.—The Friends of Mr. E. P. FORD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved BROTHERS-IN-LAW, Alfred Percy Penfold, which will leave his late residence, No. 10 Campbell-street, Haymarket, Sydney, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Waverley Cemetery. No flowers.

BARLOW.—The Friends of the late Mr. GEORGE BARLOW are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, to move from his late residence, 38 Renny-street, Paddington, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, at 2.45 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery. CHARLES KINSELLA,
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